

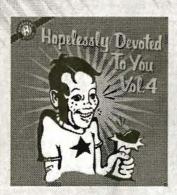


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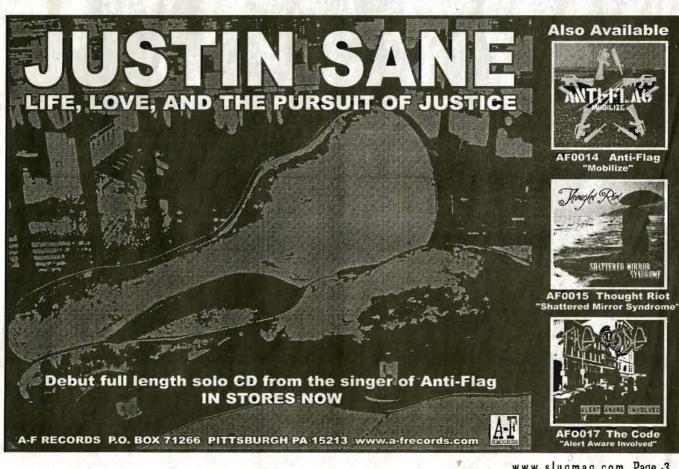


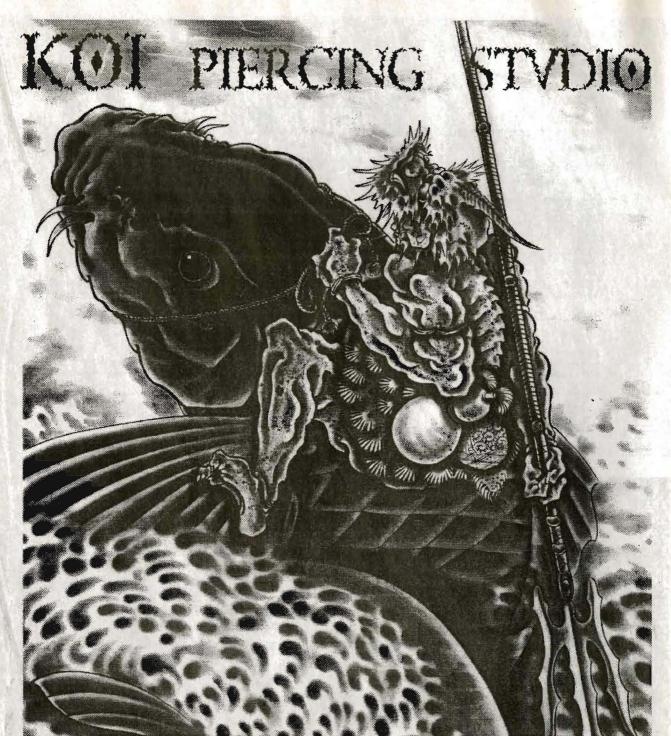
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Dear Dickheads, Oh fathomless Joy!

You big pricks (& prickettes) printed my letter in SLUG's May issue! This is good for my ego but bodes ill for our great city of salt as it means one of two things a) the other submissions you received for that issue were even lamer, or b) the printed letters WERE the ONLY submissions.

So I am optimistic in hoping you will print this big "BREAK A LEG" to our own Mr. "Can You Handle the METAALL!" - aka Jamie St. James, aka Jeremy

Sundeas - who is traveling far from home towards bigger, bolder conquests. Salt Lake is emptier, now, but the women folk are safer. Bummer.

Best regards,

-wicked charity

ps

does 24 hrs a week count as a "day job"

It might LOOK hard to be me, but im happy and free.

pps

Everyone I've spoken to has had a relatively good review regarding the E-center housing concerts. Like the good ol'Salt Palace, just farther west.

FUCK - missing Tool will mark the end of my E-center phobia, guess i'll save that \$40.00 for some local(ized)s this time around.

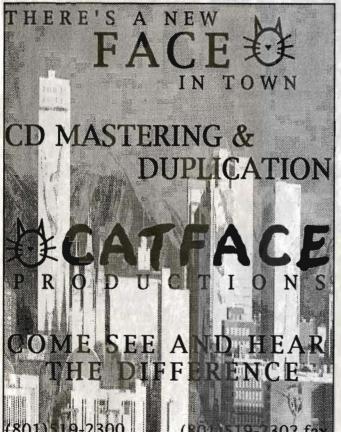
Dear Dickheads, please don't print my last letter or at least not the "jamie st. james" part i had bad information (ps thanks for calling me sweetie you guys rule the slug scene)

Sweetie? Did we call you sweetie? We meant sweaty, last time we saw you, you were sweating worse than... On the topic of bodily secretions, this heat is really affecting our judgment and reasoning here at SLUG, case in point; upon receiving your letter, we deemed it so boring and utterly senseless that we decided it was printable.

Dear Dickheads,

I am definitely a very peaceful individual. Ideals of peace and acceptance for all guide my daily

existence, but those beliefs literally fly out my driver side window in the form of an extended middle-finger all too regularly navigating around the retarded drivers in this city! My roots extend to the eastern cities of the U.S. Definitely not places where indecision and poor driving practices are accepted. Yeah, stereotypes about east coast drivers are generally true. We drive fast, at times recklessly, and for the most part, impatiently. Those bad habits have been quelled personally, however, due to western transplantation a few years ago. But what tha' fuck are people around here concentrating on when they get into their vehicles. Was it a hard day at the office? Did your weekly sins produce too much introspective repentance? Is it time to change the CD selection? Did you drop your fish taco all over the toddler in the back seat? You know what, I don't give a shit. Gas is on the right mutha' fuckas!





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Seriously, if I have to sit at a four way stop sign a millisecond longer than my turn allows one more time...That brings me to my question for you dickheads. How should I go about silencing the road rage that encompasses all too many daily commutes? I've considered going James Bond style and equip my car with a flame thrower or other form of heavy artillery. Does this sound like the right way to go about solving the problem of poor SLC drivers? If so where can I find the weapons of war necessary to dissolve my road rage. Also, if my prior inquiry is all together impossible, does my middle finger suffice as an effective antiroad rage device? Sincerely,

-Not the thumb, pinky, index, or pointer...

I am not a big fan of the east coast, last I visited I was stuck in traffic for three hours trying to go three blocks. Fast driving does not exist in any metropolitan area, especially in the east, that being said, I am drawn to the conclusion that you are a hillbilly. Here in the west we got rednecks, the kind that live in trailers and have them 76' el camino's up on blocks in the front yard. On the east they got "Hillbillys", this is a whole different breed. Spanning from the deep south all the way up to upper New York state you have people that live in the buried woods, no power, not shit. This is the folk with no teeth, no shirts, just a couple pair of overalls, if you have seen the movie DELIVERANCE you understand. Anyway, just stay out of my way on the road, I would hate to fall victim to your brand of Hillbilly road rage. The last thing I need is a 12 gauge to my throat and my pants around my ankles.



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- · Lydia Lunch Champange, Cocaine, & Nicotine Stains (Crippled Dick Hot Wax!)
- · Black Dice- Beaches & Canyons (dfa Records)
- Gore Gore Girls- Up All Night (Get Hip Recordings)
- Western Waste- Break Away
 (Liberty Records)
- Electric Wizard- Dopethrone (The Music Cartell)
- · Capitol k. Island Row. (XL Recordings)
- · David Bowie- heathen (ISO Records)
- · Weird War. S/T (Drag City)
- Jason Loewenstein- At Sixes and Sevens (Sub Pop)

- · Fleshies- The Game of Futbol (Adeline)
- · Janis Joplin- Greatest Hits (Columbia/Legacy)
- · Joan Jett. Fit to be Tled (Columbia)
- · Boss Hog. Girl + (Amphetamine)
- · Le Tigre · Jinx (Time Bomb)
- Various Artists- Sample This too!
 tBYO Records)
- · The The- Dusk (Epic)
- . The Wolfs- Night + Day+3 (Self Released)
- · The Bangs- Sweet Revenge (kill ROck Stars)
- Dee Dee Ramone- Zonked! (Other Peoples Music)
- Dee Dee Ramone's- Greatest and Latest (Conspiracy Music)



localized

LOCALIZED: A monthly local music festival sponsored by SLUG MAG. LOCALIZED happens every second Friday of the month at the Urban Lounge.

go into that.

SLUG: Who are some of you female influences?

Matt: I like Mark Etsel, I think he is gay. Being honest Natalie Merchant.

SLUG: Why so? Matt: Because she is hot? That's a tough question, somebody else answer it.

Eric: I'm going to say its because she did that song with Meat Loaf.

Mills: I'm going to say Mazzy Star. Matt: Mazzy

because its emotional.

Mill: Bjork!

Matt: Fuck, Bjork that's right!

SLUG: Would you say that Female musicians are equal to male musicians or do you think that they have a harder time?

Matt: You stumped us right off the top

Left to right Eric Dodds (Bass), Josh Emery (Guitar), Ryan Mills (drums), Matt Matteus (Guitar/Vocals).

All right fellow Salt Lakers, last month's LOCALIZED was loud, heavy, and full of rock. SLUG would like to thank Jared at the Urban Lounge, Hammergun, Her Black list, Queen Ann's Revenge, and the crowd that made it such a great night.

I was told that this issue is all about women in music. Now take a second and think about it. All we normally see is the hand full of talented women that are out there. The majority of women in the musical spotlight are marketable eye candy conceived by a producer in order to make lots of money. I say we need to take music back! Give me more Joan Jett and less Britney Spears! More women should dominate the medium with actual talent, rather than a plastic surgeons boob job. This is all just a thought and it would be nice to hear some good things come out instead of shit. So to all those women out there, take what is yours and go with it.

Matt Mateus has been singing like a little girl for years. We finally got to meet Matt and his new band, Hello Amsterdam at his house full of Barbie dolls and Christmas lights.

Hello Amsterdam is: Matt Matteus: Guitar, vocals Josh Emery: Guitar Ryan Mills: Drums Eric Dodds: bass

SLUG: Matt why do you sing like a girl? Matt: That's the first question? I have a whole theory about that but I don't want to by just asking us that.

Eric: I would say the industry does not help.

SLUG: So your saying the industry is biased?

Eric: They seem to have to be the hot young pop star.

Mills: Like on MTV you only see them if

Mills: Like on MTV you only see them if the stomachs are showing.

SLUG: Does your music target men, women or both?

Matt: I like to not be biased

SLUG: But your songs sound like they are more sappy relationship songs.

Matt: No they are not, because I've been with my wife for over ten years. They are not gender specific. I try not to make our song even time specific. I try to make it timeless.

SLUG: The never-ending ballad.

Josh: The never-ending ballad! Yes exactly!

SLUG: Who are some of your female influences outside of music?

Mills: My grandma. She actually came down stairs when I was young playing the drums, and she said it sounded pretty. My dad never said that. My grandma definitely kept me playing rock and roll.

Eric: There are very few people that I can say outside of my family that have influenced me.

Matt: That's answering it right away, by not being able to come up with an answer. Eric: It's a hard question to truly come up with an answer on who truly shaped me as a person.

SLUG: What would you like to see more

of by women?

Eric: You hardly see any female movie directors.

SLUG: Besides Penny Marshal.

Eric: Do you see any female producers? I blame this on our school systems.

Matt: You don't see any female recording engineers.

Matt: I would like to see less of the Britney Spears and Mariah Carey and more Erika Badu and Cassandra Wilson.

SLUG: Are there any women in town that you see rising?

Mills: I don't know what her name is but she plays for Red Tape. She hits the drums harder than most drummers in this town. Matt: I would say the Sunfall Festival

Frobum has been bugging us to let his band play ever since we started LOCAL-IZED over a year ago. We sent Ricky Stink to Downtown music and he start some shit with this band.

Blue Collar Line is: Tyler Cobern: Vocals, Dave Moss: guitar Jefferson Davis: Drums

Weston: Bass

SLUG: Why aren't there any girls in your band?

Froburn: Because there isn't any. SLUG: So your band is sexist.

Froburn: Not at all, there is nothing wrong with being sexy.

SLUG: I didn't say sexy, I said sexist. Froburn: There must be a thin line.

SLUG: Did you make an effort to look for any girls for your band?

Froburn: No, not at all.

SLUG: That sounds pretty sexist to me. Tell me how this mess came about.

Dave: I have had this project in mind for about two years, it started out me and Tyler and Jeff, and I was in a band with Weston, and we asked him to join, so here it is.

SLUG: But you didn't ask any girls to play?

Dave: Uh, no, no I didn't.

SLUG: So are you saying girls aren't good enough to play?

Dave: No, I didn't say that

Froburn: All girls are good for is cooking and cleaning.

SLUG: How do you feel about Beenie Babies?

Froburn: Love en, collect them all. SLUG: Who in your band is gay?

Froburn: Jeff our drummer is gay. SLUG: Why is it that all bands claim their drummer is gay?

Froburn: Look at him, he just looks gay, plus hanging out at Club Blue on a daily basis doesn't help his rep.

Burger: Does your drummer write any songs?

Dave: Yeah, he helps out

Burger: Isn't that when you're supposed to kick him out?

Froburn: Only when the *Tommy Lee* ego kicks in.

kicks in.
SLUG: Whose music do you rip off the

most? Who do you strive to sound like? Froburn: I would say Frotus, Hoover,

Lincoln and a little bit of Rolch.

Jeff: Look, my name is Froburn, look how much I know about music (laughter).

Dave: Everybody brings a little something to the table.

SLUG: Any local bands you wanna talk shit on?

Froburn: I would like to say that Hummergun does not have the vocal power that they think they do, or the drumming skills at all (Jaughter).

Jeff: You know who I hate is that punk band with that chick singer.

SLUG: Oh, so you are sexist.

Jeff: You know that band Thunder (pause) fist, no 1 mean Fist (pause) full, yeah Fistfull, they fucking suck, and they get way too much credit for being a shitty band.

Froburn: Why cause they got two girls in the band?

Jeff: I know that's exactly why, its like a catch thing, "look we got two girls in our band look how cute we are".

Frohum: Oh and Endless Struggle.

SLUG: You don't like Endless Struggle?

Froburn: I like Bob. Fuck Hudson River School, they fucking suck. Jeff: The Used fucking suck also, and what's his name from V-Vast, Eric Bliss.

SLUG: I think enough people will wanna kick your ass now, thanks for dirt!

Don't miss this month's installment of localized featuring:

Hello Amsterdam, Blue Collar Line, and Very Metal (thank you Mr. Will Sartain)

Friday July 12th at The Urban Lounge.

Left to right: Weston Woolley (Bass), Jefferson Davis (Drums), Dave Moss (Guitar), Tyler Froburn (vocals).



HEY,

There has been no shortage of "grrl power" zines, since the DIY format of zine-ing is a natural for independent-minded females. Carla DeSantis created RockRGrl to put the two interests together in a zine specially designed to salute girls about to rock. Insightful features include cover stories with people that loom large in the worlds of both music and political activism with bands such as Le Tigre . Even technical issues are covered, like the ins and outs of Internet copyright law and musical instrument reviews. RockRGrl has featured everyone from Sleater Kinney to Shawn Colvin to Yoko Ono; there's not one segment of the female musical spectrum that hasn't appeared in the magazine at some time. Several years ago Carla even staged the RockRGrl Music Conference. We spoke with her about how she's kept rocking for the better part of a decade.

SLUG: How and why did you start RockRGrl?

RockRGrl: I got the idea in the summer of '94, and the first issue came out in '95. As a musician, I was tired of how women were portrayed. "Women in rock" was depicted as a trend, and I think the media makes it sound really negative. I wanted to create something I wished I had as a kid. I had won songwriter contests, and then froze when I went in to use the free studio time I won. No one was there to show me the ropes. I wanted to be a mentor to girls in the same position.

SLUG: Explain your motto, "no beauty tips or guilt trips?"

RockRGrl: Actually I don't use that any more, but when I started out I thought most women's magazines are all about how to look. "You're not good enough, you have to lose weight, look cuter, wear the right colors." We still try to show people that there's more than that.

SLUG: In the oversaturated market of music magazines, how do you fit in?

RockRGrl: Our mission is something no one else does, to inspire

RockRGrl: l always enjoy talking to Ani DiFranco because she's so smart, and definitely knows what has always been really important to me, and that will become more apparent. I've felt like I was mak-

she is doing. Courtney **Zineland by Stakerized!** self is

ing the vitamins palatable, but now I don't think I'll make it as palatable. RockRGrl is billed as "the feminist music magazine." Whatever is true to your-

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girls who want to make music. Most music magazines are geared toward males. With Rolling Stone saying it wants to become more like Maxim, I don't see that changing. I'm not concerned with the fans. There is still the perception with female musicians that "you play good for a girl" or "you're really expressing some anger there." Our audience are girls who want to play. Like women's athletics, our goal is to erase the distinction between female and male musicians.

SLUG: How well has the magazine been received?

RockRGrl: Quite well. I've seen a lot of magazines come and go. I've been publishing RockRGrl by myself six times a year for eight years. I'm taking a break this summer for a while, to get ready to go quarterly in January, hopefully with a lot more pages.

SLUG: How has the magazine changed over the years? What is the most surprising thing you've

Love is interesting because most of the time I don't know what she's talking about. I like talking to people who play music because they have to, they don't have any choice. It's that important to them. The magazine has gotten more sophisticated over the years. I try to be respectful of the artists I interview. When you turn the page, you see a totally different woman in music, whether young, old, silky, punk or goth. I have a magazine that could have Sheryl Crow on one page and the Genitorturers on the next. That's what I'm really proud of. I started RockRGirl four years before the first Lilith Fair. There was no "market," even though I despise that word, for women's music at the time. We're

classy. The women we cover are in it because music is important to them, not to make a fashion statement or to make some point

doing it in a way that's really

about something.



works. Because of the state of retail, I'll have more grassroots features, targeted towards high schools and women's organizations. In the current issue, the Le Tigre feature is really great. Kathleen Hanna is a really important artist, and she has a lot to say about the issues. There's always a variety; one band in the magazine features a nine-yearold drummer. Another great thing is Margaret Cho's top ten survival tips in the industry. There's also an interview with Tina Yothers, (laughs) who has a band now. In my mid-40's, I'm too old to care what's hip. I like to know why someone's doing this. I'm more interested in someone who's survived cancer to play music than talking to someone who's a big star. Find out more at rockrgrl.com.

'I'm more interested in someone who's survived cancer to play music than talking **to someone who's a big star."—c**arla DeSantis

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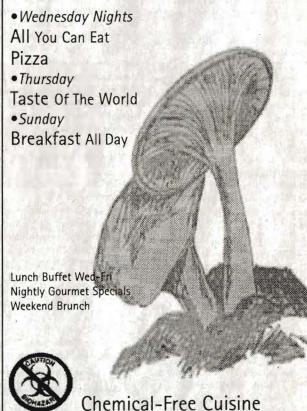
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THREE NIGHTS LOST IN J.W. BLACKOUT

words by Aaron photos by Colby Crossland

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Jason Rock is hammering the bass and dancing on unrestrained feet, jumping from side to side without compromising his unrelenting backup vocals. Jamison Wilkins is wearing a Captain Jack's Restaurant and Lounge tshirt that is two sizes too small for him while wailing on his guitar and screaming, "It makes me crazy, it makes me crazy!" Herc is reclined in a community-budget office chair bleeding out some insane guitar lead that is too brilliant to digest. And Patrick Young is beating the drums with a resolute precision. Somebody in the room is wearing a pink belt! The studio technician says, "Everything is good to go." The band goes live on air in an hour.

THURSDAY, JUNE 13TH LIQUID JOES 11:25 PM

Local hillbilly blues redemption The Dirty Birds are tearing down their equipment. I go outside for a smoke. I hear some girl talking on her cellular

phone saying, "Get down here- J W Blackout is play-I go back inside to

find Josh Scheuerman joining me for the show. "Have you heard J.W. Blackout?" I ask

"No, this is my first time."

"You'll enjoy it."



FROM L TO R: JAMISON WILKINS, JASON ROCK, PATRICK YOUNG, HERC

Jamison is on stage explaining the terms of a J.W. Blackout performance. "We will start playing as soon as at least twenty people get up here on the floor to dance, and until then I am going to jump around like an idiot!" Within sixty seconds more than twenty people collect onto the dance floor. Jamison is still dancing like an idiot. The band soon breaks out into song. You wouldn't dare to call their music rock & roll, but you wouldn't dare

to call it anything else. Maybe an echo of country in Herc's unrelenting lead guitar, but it is impossible to articulate beyond that. Jason Rock is thumping his bass! Jamison is strutting the stage and

> howling some song about the troubles born on the wake of too many inebriated nights. Here is bent over his guitar. And Patrick is beating the drums. This is goddamn quality local music!

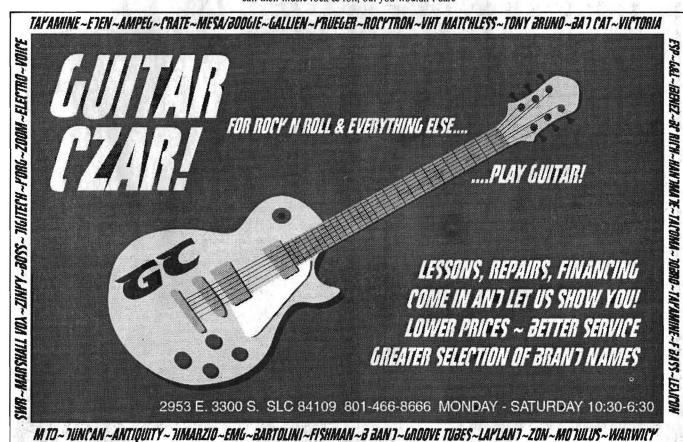
MONDAY, JUNE 17TH HANGING OUT WITH JAMISON @ **MURPHY'S**

10:32 PM

Jamison double-checks my name spelling. "The band's new album, Everything Changes, will be available sometime in late July" he remarks. "When we first started playing together it wasn't anything serious, but somehow it evolved into the band that we are now." He goes on to explain that one of the original band members, David Prill, is alive and well in a hermit's trailer somewhere in the deeps of Southern Utah.

The evening proceeds, and Jamison confesses his innermost self to me. I don't feel at liberty to repeat the conversation; But if your curiosity is peaked, come and listen to him sing his songs. Jamison will explain to you all the guarded secrets that I wont repeat. J.W. Blackout is a tragic story dying to be told.

Contact them. jwblackout@hotmail.com



Indie label spotlight

by Stakerized!

The explosion of female indie bands has been popular since the early 90's, but for a long time there wasn't a label to promote this music and make it acces-

records * videos

sible. Kaia Wilson and Tammy Rae Carland rectified that situation by founding Mr. Lady in Durham, NC. Bands on the label like Le Tigre, Butchies, Sara Dougher and others aren't just making music; they are making an activist statement where it often counts the most, viscerally. Mr. Lady also distributes videos like Carland's "Odd Girl Out," about growing up lesbian, and Nguyen Tan Hoang's "7 Steps to Sticky Heaven," about gay Asian men.

Perhaps the name, Mr. Lady, sums it up well: the sometimes ambiguous nature of sexuality when you don't follow society's roles, their punkish urge to frustrate those expectations, and the irony of trying to establish a musical

institution in a male-dominated industry.

SLUG: How when and why did you start the label? Where did the name come from?

MR. LADY: We started Mr. Lady in winter of 1996; we were getting messages from god so we had to do it. We started the label with \$37 in our bank account and a lot of faith in our hopes that the world needed an openly queer/feminist label. Tammy Rae and I wanted to start this label to provide a sort of community service-to be able to release and represent other queer/feminist artists, to be fair and good to our artists, to have control over our own art and to

ing the gap between music and video art. The name is an offshoot of my alter personality, Mr. Baby, which I obtained while touring with team Dresch and Bikini Kill in Europe in 1996....

SLUG:. Discuss some of the bands on the label, why did you pick them or how did they come to being on the label? What do Mr. Lady bands have in common? Do you listen to demos or how do you get bands?

MR. LADY: Most of the bands/artists on our label are friends of ours, so it wasn't hard to figure out that we'd love to work with them (like Le Tigre, Sarah Dougher, the Haggard). Also, 2 of the artists

work towards bridg-

ourselves. The biggest challenge is staying organized, making good decisions, not throwing the computer out the window... SLUG: How has the label and its bands been

received by the public? What kind of niche, if any, do you think the label serves?

for 3 years without any pay at all, a loss of \$ actual-

ly. After 3 years we started to break even and eventually make a small profit so we could start paying

MR. LADY: We get mixed reviews. We are mostly supported in our extended queer communities and have respect of many straight folks, whether they're fans or writers. The media is scared of us, definitely, but as would make sense we are appreciated and supported in feminist and queer magazines (Venus, Curve, Bitch). I think that we're definitely in our own very little niche, that's somewhere between punk and women's music, queers and freaks, politically progressive/active fans and college radio indies.

SLUG: What are some new releases or even new signings to the label that you are excited about?

MR. LADY: Our newest release we're working on is from Tara Jane O'Neil - due out this October. She has released several CDs over the last several years, solo and with bands. She makes sad beautiful

music, this release called TJO -TKO, and there are a lot of experimental noises and samples - she records herself too. which is really cool. We are also working on another compilation, it'll be our 3rd, and it will be all over the place musically usual.

SLUG:



involve me, so that wasn't tough either (Kaia, Butchies)! All Mr. Lady bands are either queer and/or feminist, all Mr. Lady bands make music that we think is evolutionary/new/unique/radical. All Mr. Lady bands love the color blue. I'm kidding. We do listen to demos, although we get way too many

SLUG: What have been the biggest challenges in running your own record label?

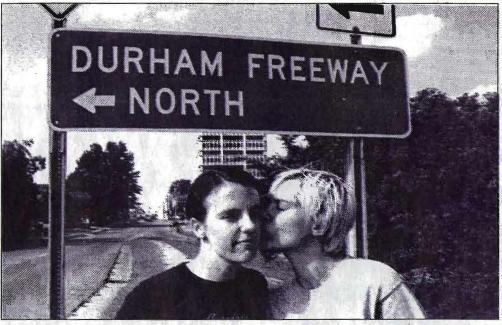
and can't keep up - I find different bands and artists

when I'm out on the road with my band the Butchies.

MR. LADY: Just the amount of work we had to do

in the future, or what are your goals for it?

MR. LADY: I see the label getting easier, because we have more experience and know how to make it work smoother. I see us continuing to release amazing music/videos, continuing to be outspoken about issues that need addressing and support - and hopefully being able to hire full time employees and give more and more \$, time and donations to organizations we care about. My goals are for eventual world takeover as well, but that will take some time...



THE FOUNDERS: KAIA WILSON AND TAMMY RAE CARLAND

short short stories

BY JD ZEIGLER



Today's Forecast for Hades

Nobody lives forever.

Long after their inevitable ends, the cold shades of the departed compulsively look up at the featureless void that stretches above them. Some recall the illusion of clouds and half-remembered melodies, treacle and trite.

But when the hapless souls realize that this is only a mirage in the vast silence and nothingness where they stand - waiting for infinity to end, the tears of the dead pour down like bitter rain.



One Hun Dread Years

Take a short retrograde walk through time. Stroll backwards through a century up to its ankles (knees, waist, neck, head) in blood. Over there, over there, you'll find meadows of poppies sanguine flowers, yet untrammeled by your great-grandfather's army boots.

Search these fatal fields for a familiar face. When you find the doughboy that has the same eyes (ears, hands, hair, voice) as you, tell him that he will witness merely the pink dawn of Mars, but you in your own good time will see red.



Polar Opposites

The zoo's new cub, Bo Bo, was unbearably cute. Droves of children, wearing gift shop tee-shirts emblazoned with his likeness, clamored to visit Bo Bo first before any other animal. Clutching cuddly gift shop Bo Bo Bears to their tiny bosoms, they crowded together on the other side of his safety moat, calling, "We love you, Bo Bo!" to the attentive carnivore.



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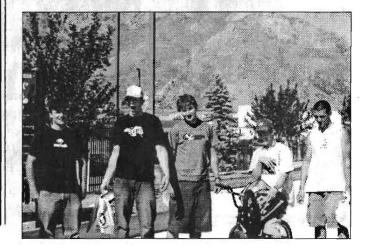
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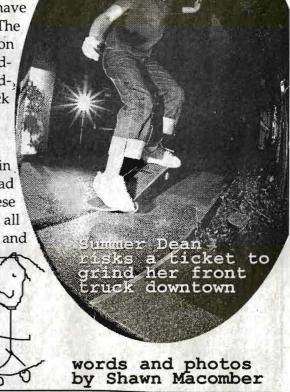
Chicks with Sticks

Skateboarding has exploded all over the country. Nowhere is that explosion more evident than in Salt Lake City. Within the last year alone, five new cement skateparks have opened in the Salt Lake Valley and surrounding areas. The addition of these parks has made an immediate impact on the local skate scene. People are establishing new friendships and coming together to skate. These parks are breeding talent like shit breeds flies. And here's a big shock folks—they aren't all guys.

I had a chance to sit down with two of Salt Lake's most talented skate ladies to talk about what it takes to excel in such a traditionally male sport. Ironically, these two had never really sat down and talked before. What made these chicks stand out from the crowd? Dedication. They skate all the time, but not for social reasons. Both Summer Dean and

Krista Moroge are lone riders. Both skate by themselves and strictly for themselves; generally keeping quiet and focusing solely on riding their boards. While there are many similarities between





Krista has been skating for two years and prefers cement bowls. Summer is more of a ledge and rail skater with a collection of bruises spanning six years. Both said they felt nothing but support from other skaters. It wasn't something either needed to keep skating, but it is nice to feel acceptance. Krista works hard in the winter as a sales rep for Nitro and Scott, leaving her summer seasons open for skating. Summer works her schedule to allow for maximum skate time year round. She gets help from Blindside and Gallaz shoes.

As I sat and spoke with these amazing girls, I was surprised to learn there was nothing really special about being a 'girl' skateboarder. They hurt themselves just like me. They deal with other people and try to progress, just like me. At the end of the day they go home and ice their injured bodies, just like me. They are skateboarders. I'm proud to say they are also my friends.

DON'T EAT PINK HAMBURGER AUTHOReD

I take contests very seriously, especially Connections contests. They are the most testing of all contests. Located right in the middle of the city, everyone eats a good breakfast. Being the contest jock that I am, my special diet begins the week previous.

Energy shakes, or cold cereal in the morning (actually in the afternoon when I wake up) and until I sleep, nothing but meat or Oreo's. Protein equals good

skateboarding.

My weeklong ritual really peaks when tradition dictates Thursday as the traditional day for the Traditional pre-Connections Contest Barbecue Tradition. Traditionally speaking, the grill is filled with the tradition al meats of chicken and beef. (Just so you know, it is a tradition of mine that you can, if it's dead, grill anything) Personally I like cow. In fact, on this Thursday I pattied enough burger to kill 200 of the bloated beasts. I was hungry and the grill was hot, but with a burger this size it takes time and I am not a patient man. I dug right in. I noticed people laughing at me, but that's not unusual. Then it hit me. The burger was as red as the scabs on my knees. I swear it had a pulse. The effects were i mmediate. This would be the last solid I would eat for a week. My BBQ comrades convince me that I had been infected with e-coli.



Friday was a blur. I tried to rest, hoping that the virus would pass thru me in a great flush of loose stool. Each successive breath flashed a new chill through my shivering body and for the first time I feared that I might miss the contest. It was night before I could even eat a Popsicle. I still felt dizzy and nauseous but concentrated on the next day and what an amazing run I would attempt. I needed to skate this contest. Even at half health I could still take home a victory.

The God plan failed. I woke up sweaty and in just enough time to vomit all over my blanket. And that is how I spent Saturday, the day of the contest: Barfing! I puked my lungs out while the rest of the Salt Lake Skateboard Elite sweated their butts off skating at Connections skatepark.

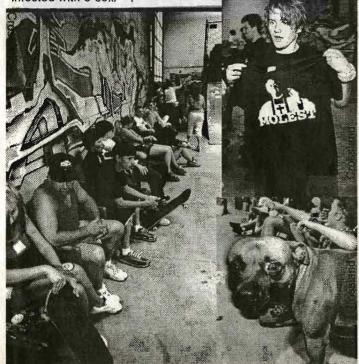
This was the first competition of the SLUG Summer of Death Series. The points leader, after three contests will go to Tampa AM. As of now the standings are as follows. Jared Smith took first, shutting out both Öliver

"Powerhouse" Buchannon (2nd) and Chris Yourgalite (3rd). I understand it was a close contest that was decided in the final Jam Session. Mike Plumb(4th) and Mike Murdock(5th)

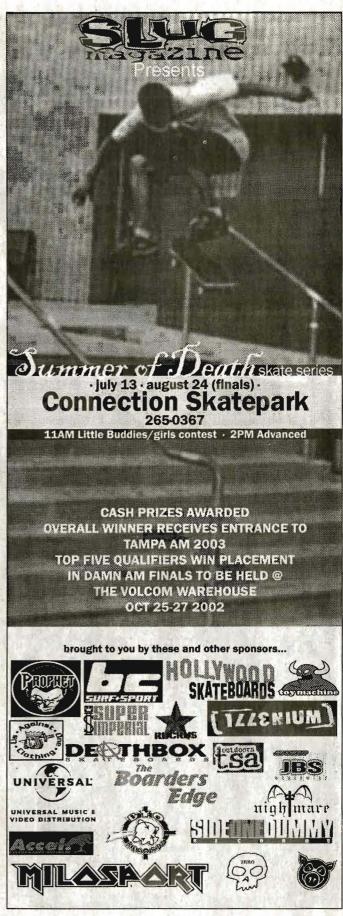
pulled points too.
But seriously, Jared or any of you guys out there, if you're reading this? The points race is on and I'm coming from behind so know the truth: hard flips and feeble grinds don't

win contests, dirty indy's do. And next go round there won't be bad beef to topple Tully. That Tradition is now officially over.

See you in July.

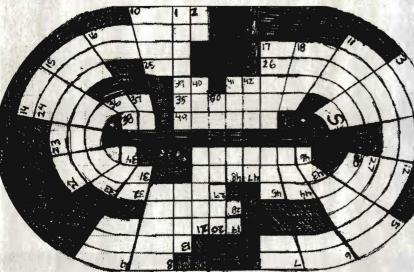






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- 3. Stinky letters
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- 11. Indian Chief or automobile brand
- 13. 80's heart-throb, Jon ___ Jovi!
- 14. To extract semen from one's anus
- 17. A movie involving pirate treasure and an ogre named Sloth
- 19. Allowed to approach
- 22. Early American art form
- 24. Eldest son of Cain
- 25. Thinking sound
- 26. All knowing & powerful, for short
- 27. Eat __ Joe's
- 28. His Holiness, the ____ Llama

- 29. Covered wagon
- 30. It was a good night if you are feeling ____
- 31. Original name for "joy-stick" (not *that* joystick)
- stick" (not *that* joystick)

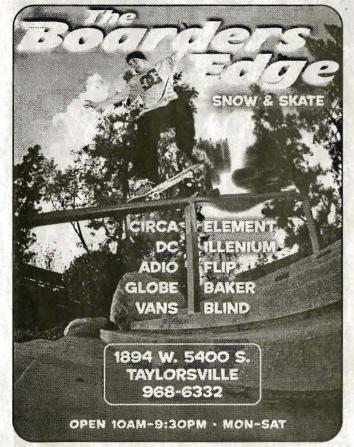
 34. Added note at the end of
- the letter
 35. One who disciplines,
- teaches, and whips lions and elephants-chains them with shackles and should
 - go to hell

 38. It's X-mas for
 - "for you"
 39. Utah! (abbreviation)
 - 41. Hair goo
 - 43. Mourns 46. A frontal wedgie 49. Tom Robbins novel
 - character John Paul

DOWN:

- 1. Jewish slang for "shit on your face"
- 2. Sch, ch, _
- 3. Every little girl wants these
- 4. One
- 5. Guns, hand guns
- 6. Mama, for short
- 7. South Carolina (abbreviation)
- 8. Your favorite daytime lesbian

- 9. If yer illegal, we'll git ya
- 10. Engrave on glass or metal
- 11. Bigger than a puddle, smaller than a lake
- 12. herbs in bags
- 13. British comedian Mr.
- 14. Of or relating to shit
- 15. Brian _____ of Roxy Music
- 16. ____, and behold he cometh...
- 17. Marine Corps., Private
 _____ Pyle
- 18. Guitarist/Singer,
- Santana
- 19. Short advertisement
- 20. Many cactus
- 21. Shut, secure...
- 22. Plural canines
- 23. Chicken, period
- 32. Street (abrv.)
- 33. A spinning toy like a drudel, I mean dradel
- 36. 80's Spielberg film
- 37. As a result
- 40. Relating to three
- 41. Johnny Rotten's pop group
- 42. English for "UNO"
- 44. Run (past tense)
- 45. Australian flightless bird
- 50. "No Ma'am" spokesper-
- son ____ Bundy.







GOING OUT WITH A BANG: AN INTERVIEW WITH THE BANGS' MAGGIE VAIL by JenXX

Two-women-and-a-boy strong, the Bangs is celebrating its fifth birthday with a mid-America tour and the anticipated release of Call and Response CD EP (due out September 10th.) The Bangs 'Maggie Vail, vocalist and bassist extraordinaire, publicist for Kill Rock Stars, and sister of KRS' labelmate Bikini Kill's Tori Vail, had an earful to say about women in rock. SLUG caught up with her on tour somewhere between Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio.

SLUG: Women have been rock musicians for while now. And the Riot Grrrl movement started a decade ago. Have we progressed?

MV: It has really changed. Even in the five years that we've been a band. There are more women playing different styles of music and more women playing experimental music than ever before. There are not as many "sound ladies" as you'd like to think, but there's a handful.

SLUG: "Sound ladies"?

MV: You know, like "sound guys."

SLUG: Yeah, that's what I thought.

MV: There've been a couple we've had on tour and they've all been exceptionally fantastic, but you have to be to get any respect or a job, really... but it's always really exciting when you have a sound lady. It's the next frontier. And there aren't many women who record. I mean, I can't think of any. It would be great if there were more women involved in the sound aspects, that would be really inspiring and easier. Y'know, it's hard sometimes to record with men that you've never met before.

SLUG: Do you believe that girl musicians are essentially different than boy musicians?

MV: Not necessarily. Right now we're on tour with the Makers who are five boys. There are obvious differences, but when you're talking about music, you're coming from similar places.

SLUG: By now, we know that women can and do rock. What more can we do to promote and support women in the music industry?

MV: I really think encouragement at a younger age is really important.

SLUG: Like those Daisy Guitars. You know that woman who makes those smaller guitars for girls?

MV: And in Portland there's the Rock



MAGGIE ON TOUR

Forbidden Dance: Journalists and Publicists." My friend who does publicity at Lookout Records and I were like "we can't go in there!" We watched from a distance and then ran away.

SLUG: Who are your favorite female musicians?

MV: I really love Kathy Valentine from the Go-Go's, the bass player. I love Yoko Ono. She's insane, but still inventive. There are so many. Ronnie Spector---we just played with her---she's so incredible, her voice is so amazing, all the emotions she puts in her songs. Of course, Joan Jett ... Everyone I grew up listening to were inspirational. I remember wanting to be in the Go-Go's when I was little, thinking, "Wow, this is really amazing! All girls and they're so good!"



L to R: Sarah Utter, Peter David Connelly, Maggie Vail

'n' Roll Camp for Girls. It's fantastic! Any introduction to music at that age especially when there aren't boys around is really important. Y'know, you can be really easily intimidated when you're young and first starting out.

SLUG: You also do marketing and publicity for Kill Rock Stars. Has that given you insights about women in rock 'n' roll?

MV: There's a weird phenomenon. Most publicists are women. Most writers are men. There's a really weird dynamic. Especially when you go to conventions and the writers are hitting on you. It's really bizarre. And they had this panel at SXSW called "The

SLUG: What changes would you make in the industry to make it more female-friendly?

MV: Obviously if it were less image-oriented, I'd be into that. That's true for men and women. What's sad is even with all the changes like ProTools and all that, with mainstream artists you still have to be beautiful like Brittany Spears. It's image before talent.

SLUG: If women were the main players in rock 'n' roll from the beginning, how would it be different?

MV: I have no idea. That would be really unusual. Who knows?

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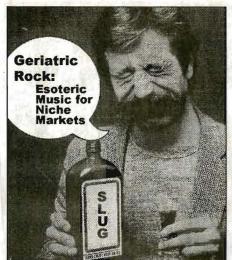
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What is the hot new sound, the sound that will remove teen pop, rap-metal, nü metal and etc. from the minds and ears of the trendy young? According to Time magazine and a network television interview with a glowing young "critic" representing the Viacom empire that hot new sound is...are you ready? Geriatric rock! Time magazine says the Hives are amazing! Veni Vidi Vicious was released by Epitaph in 2000 and very few noticed. The Hives previously released Barely Legal in 1997 and according to Time that record doesn't exist since Veni Vidi Vicious is touted as their American debut! Curiously Veni Vidi Vicious now bears the Warner Bros label. Viacom says the Hives are joined by the White Stripes, the Strokes and perhaps strangest of all, the Mooney Suzuki,

as the hot new musical products every teen must conspicuously consume. According to Viacom the Velvet Underground, the Stooges and the MC5 were the inspirations for the fashionable new movement. There you have it. Ignore 30 years of garage bands, geriatric rock bands, "roots" bands such as the Hellacopters, the Nomads, Guitar Wolf, Thee Michelle Gun Elephant, Jack O Fire, the Mono Men, the A-Bones, the Dwarves, Link Wray, Davie Allan, the Humpers, Gas Huffer, the Go, the Flaming Groovies, the Lyres, the Deviants, the Chocolate Watchband, Flesheaters, Gun Club, 13th Floor Elevators, Wailers, Sonics, Seeds and list the big three every "critic" in America can refer to and deem themselves expert. What is a geriatric rocker to do? Bitch? Listen to "roots" music packaged as trendy? I do love garage punk, but there's other stuff out there that trendy, embraced isn't as or Viacom/AOL/Time Warner.

Solomon Burke
Don't Give Up On Me
Fat Possum

One of the dumbest biases in recent memory is the embrasure of Fat Possum after the label hooked up with Epitaph, accompanied by a weird prejudice against anything "roots" or "blues" related. Few cared when Capricorn was backing Junior Kimbrough's All Night Long and the Jelly Roll Kings. No one cares when Big Jack Johnson visits the Dead Goat several times a year and hardly anyone knows that he fronted the Jelly Roll Kings, a Fat Possum recording artist. The Blind Boys of Alabama release a masterpiece in 2000 and while the geriatrics love it the punks don't understand. The Blind Boys of Alabama guest on Solomon Burke's new Fat Possum record. Is

Solomon Burke cool like Merle Haggard, Tom Waits and R. L. Burnside now? Don't Give Up On Me bears witness to plenty of gospel. There's a church organ backing Burke since he is a preacher and prior to earning his status as the "King of Rock & Soul" in the 1960s Burke recorded gospel songs. One of the best records Fat Possum ever released was King Ernest's Blues Got Soul. The label has finally matched that release with

Don't Give Up On Me, a recording of stunning deep soul and gospel. Surely the NPR crowd will embrace the album, even if it is on Fat Possum. Will the punks with Burnside 20 Miles and Jon Spencer in their CD units get it? Who cares? Let me testify...

Various Artists Apocalypse Always Alternative Tentacles

The latest Alternative Tentacles sampler mixes politics with music. You get some old-timers and some brand new workers. You get both Michael Gira and Jarboe; remember the Swans? You get that hip alt-country; Slim Cessna's Auto Club and Evan Johns & the H-Bombs. You get Zen Guerilla (hip garage rock), M.I.A., the Fleshies, the Causey Way and you get Chomsky, Angela Davis and Jello Biafra. It's cheap, entertaining, informative and not advertised on television. Nope not on Viacom owned and operated stations either. Sorry about thinking outside the square box.

Jello Biafra – The Big Ka-Boom, Part One – Alternative Tentacles. Here is the former vocalist of the Dead Kennedys doing what he does best these days, ranting. Biafra would like to see a lot of kids in the streets fighting for freedom, but instead they are attending concerts by the Dead Kennedys fronted by Eddie, of the "Courtship of Eddie's Father." That's what watching television will do for you. Freedom of choice is a big deal in Utah. You can listen to Biafra offer his version of what we are fighting for, or remain in the average majority and attend Wal-Mart's big sale on made in China patriotism.

Dolly Parton Halos & Horns Sugar Hill Records

My God! Dolly Parton in SLUG? Isn't she nearly as old as Lemmy and he's been on the cover? Halos & Horns is Parton's third record for the Sugar Hill label. The large busted mama gave up on country and stared doing bluegrass a few years back. Her new one has bluegrass, but there's some gospel too, as well as a song about sex and drugs versus chastity and sobriety, the title number. She even covers Led Zeppelin's most tired song, "Stairway to Heaven." Don't ask me why but remember this woman made Collective Soul's "Shine" sound fresh. However, despite her shivery rendition I can do without "Stairway to Heaven." What's next, Freebird? Complaints aside the record is pretty dang good and Parton is touring. If she visits Salt Lake perhaps SLUG will put her on the cover. ED NOTE: DON'T COUNT ON IT, OLD

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LOCAL FEMALE ARTISTS EXHIBIT AT TRASA THIS MONTH

words by Carly Fullmer

TRASA: Exploring the power of collective creativity.

"The biggest reason I wanted to do this is that **TRASA** in particular has been kind of male-oriented, and that's not because there aren't phenomenal females producing art around here. The only way I could think of getting women 'in' was to do

this." TRASA Urban Arts Collective co-owner **Kristina** is talking about the allwomen art show coming up in July and August.

A generic call for visual art was put out by TRASA weeks ago and the response has been tremendous. "The art is all over the spectrum. There are women who are doing very craft-like, what I call 'Utah Mormon Art,' and then there are women coming out of the U that are doing alternative things, and young women who have all sorts of outside influences," says Kristina. The submitted medi-



ums fluctuate from perform- "Tub Luv" Gouache & Acrylic on Canvas by Colleen Gills

art show **preview**

ance art and abstract photography, to traditional watercolors and oils, mixed media sculpture, glasswork, and embroidery.

The submission process has been very grass roots and word-of-mouth, but the show itself is professional and mind-blowing, gathering uncanny crowds for such a small institution. Kristina says, "We don't really even know what we're trying to do,

cause it's all very organic. That's the whole idea behind the show, just try and get it out there to women artists who have visions and pull them in and find out what they want to do. Like, if they were given a chance to do a show, what would that show look like?" Come and find out at TRASA Urban Arts Collective (741 South 400 West) from July 12th (opening night 7-10pm) to August 17th. Normal Gallery hours are Thursday and Friday 5pm -8pm, Saturday 12-5pm. Call 801.355.5850 for more information.

Some of the featured artists include Camilla Taylor, Ruby Claire Johnson, Anne pappas, Colleen Gills, & Teresa Lane.

asphalt surfing

Words by Josh Scheuerman Photos by Colby Crossland

So you went to see **Dogtown** recently and had nostalgic feelings about slashing and ripping on your banana board and carving down the street in your hot pants and knee high socks. Before you grow your hair out or loosen the trucks on your skateboard, try this new ride.

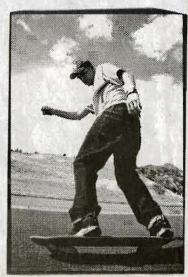
The Tierney Board (T-Board) has the carve you have desperately searched for all these years. One glance at this board might seem intimidating since there are only two wheels. However, the appearance is very deceiving. From years of research and development, Tierney Boards are now part of the U.S. Snowboard Team's summer training program. T-Boards handle the same as snowboards,

product review

with deep carves and really fast straight ways. Not to get tech., but it's all in the Torsion Rings of different durometers. Depending on how much force you want to apply for a carve you can choose a higher or lower durometer. A true testament to the board's adaptability, I tested the T-Board on the streets of the avenues, the U of U campus, plus traveled with it to Mt. Hood where the HCSC diggers had a ball riding it through Government Camp. The board handles well on both down hill or flat land. With a snowboarding back ground the board only took a few try's before I had mastered the basic turns for slowing down and stopping.

I tried the 38", extended skateboard model. There's also a 41" snowboard inspired design. Depending on surface conditions can you choose between Rubber and Urethane wheel sets. For the three days I had the board, friends and strangers gave it a ride and everyone figured it out reliving those days of nostalgia.

For a free demo stop by The Traps at 250 so. 1300 e. and check out a board or log on to www.tiernevrides.com for the full story and video clips.



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Misty Murphy-Circles

I wanted to give Misty Murphy a bad review, I admit it. I'm pretty hard on female musicians, I suppose because I see so few of them breaking boundaries and making kick-ass music. Well, Mist Murphy makes kick-ass music. You can hear the traces of other female greats seep-

ing out from the seams of Misty's music, from her breathy, expressive Tori Amos-like voice to the harder, gusty, Liz Phairish "Slipping the Dove." "Glass Ménagerè," my favorite, combines bells in a jazzy, trip-hop background that sounds a lot like Portishead. Overall, the album is self-reflective and soothing without being melancholic, complete with dance beats on tranquilizers. Meanwhile, interesting chord changes light up the choruses while the lullaby-like melodies wash over you like an ocean.



Phono-Lotus

Phone opens up the dark portal to the part of your soul that responds to deep meanings. Everything about this band just rings true; everything about it is real. The buzzy, industrial epic title-track washes over you in a warm dark flood like the liquid darkness found in

the womb. And rebirth is, in fact, its overarching theme: "Once alone, born into silence/I'll find my own beginning." "Julia" opens with a deceivingly simple keyboard riff and transforms into one of the most convincing love songs (whether for a lover or a child) I've ever heard. "When I cannot see my heart/I can only speak my mind, Julia." A snake-charmer keyboard riff weaves a magic spell over "Questions," interlaced with Depeche Modelike vocals. Pick up a copy of Lotus; your inner world will never be the same.



Redd Tape-Oh Yeah...



The kids are all right. Redd Tape's live performances are noted for their raw untouched appeal. So the thing that probably stands out the most on their 2-song demo, *Oh Yeah...*, is the clarity: not a trace of muddiness. And it's the sharpness that cuts straight to the chase. Wil's earnest vocals rip

into the parts of you that might remain untouched by the instruments and his lyrics are rife with descriptions of brutally raw emotions and poetic descriptions of the soulscape, like "I fall off a cliff into your hands" in "My Favorite Day." "Winter Wishes" is harder and darker with ethereal backup vocals. Redd Tape fluctuates between wide-eyed optimism and an odd otherworldly wisdom: You can't really call them kids anymore.

Hammergun-Texas

Hammergun is among the heaviest of the heavy when it comes to stoner rock bands. An anvil rings and big apocalyptic guitars start growling at you the moment you put *Texas* in the CD player. The first riff repeating like, what 20 times, gives you the sensation of being in a meat

grinder. The slaughter continues with "Let'Er Ride," complete with classic stoner-rock movements, where you're eaten alive by monster riffs and screaming vocals. Follow that by the even more rockin' "Haulin' Ass," where the music breaks away into a slow, impossibly deep, melodic basslines. Red Magazine called the slow and churning "Sidewinder" a "death-march." But after begging for mercy during Texas' long, low ride through the desert on a semi, you'll find you feel more alive than ever.



Various Artists- My Sweet Compilation My Sweet Records

Making appearances on My Sweet Compilation are eight bands, five of which have had their CDs reviewed in this very column. Rockit. The Kill's complex, driven, math rock melts into Form of Rocket's "My Name is a Killing Word," which

sounds different than it did on their CD —was it recorded live?—cool. The Downers pick up where FoR leaves off with buzzy keyboard devo and carefree lyrics. Hudson River then comes in with their bright, chummy, emo-pop sounds and New Transit takes over with surging triplet guitar rock in "Songs for the Anonymous." Furious Fire and Hammergun close out with characteristic fury. It's so damn cool to not only see so many talented musicians in Salt Lake City, but to see them working together in a common cause. Sweet.



The Wolfs-Night & Day

Los Lobos have gone full-throttle for their second four-song single. Rawer, harder, and even fuller than their first single, "white Pills," Night & Day still employs The Wolfs' signature classic-rock overtones as in the title track, complete with big juicy keyboards and bloodcurdling screams.

Jeremy Smith's guitar riff in "Candy" evokes summer twilights at the carnival with amusement park rides jangling crazily while Josh Knight's pounding toms and Carri Wakefield's low bassline provide a pummeling contrast. "Ride on Cowgirl" has not a lick of country in it, fortunately, and "Cum For Brains" rocks HARD. Night & Day, recorded live, reveals a decidedly revved-up and roughed-up side of Salt Lake's ultimate sass-rockers.

SINGLE RELEASE: 7/13, URBAN LOUNGE W/ THE DIRTY BIRDS.

Story by Joey Marguart **Illustration by Leia Bell**

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Some accentuate the difference

between women and men, find-

ing power in the distinction.

Others blur the line. But what

makes Salt Lake women unique?

And what are they doing to

bridge the gender gap today?

Ordinary Girls

"Show us your tits!" yell a crowd of boys at a black metal show in Colorado.

"Show us yours!" shouted Brita and Carol of a young FistFull, a



Making Room

Getting to that place—under the lights with a mic and a captive audience—is a challenge for anyone. For girls, perhaps, the road is rockier, fraught with nay-sayers that include parents, peers and club owners. Tracy Brewer and Angie Eralie of Chubby Bunny know. When they were forming their band in December of 2000, they saw a club of boys who knew the lingo, the codes, the

"We invited ourselves," says Tracy.

It wasn't easy for Chubby Bunny to figure out

basics: buying equipment, booking shows, and networking with musicians. These difficulties, they say, led them to create what is arguably the most visible and organized girl-musician support system in Salt Lake City: the UGGLIES Web community (Underground Girls Getting Loud, Independent, and Electric in Salt Lake City, available at http://utahunderground.net/ug glies). It's a meeting place, they say, for female musicians to trade and other girls should be able to learn how without feeling intimidat-

Lindsay Heath, the energetic drummer for Redd Tape. loves the website and hopes girls will come out of the woodwork more often. "Although the scene might exactly welcome the girls, it's crucial that we involve ourselves, to the remind boys that they don't own it,' she says. "I've been teased and patronized too long by misogyny

aggravated and ready to

I'm [able to] voice my rage into an amplified exposure.

scream, and suddenly

[Female musiciansl

and chauvinism. I'm totally minority in a male-dominated system.

Even gaining access to that system, however, can be a challenge for those on the outside. Girls are urged to play flutes, not drums.

They sing in choirs instead of playing bass in rock bands. They catty." say the girl musicians SLC but the symp-

oms can be found

"Show Imel yours!"-Brita

since gone on to rock heavier, harder, and deeper than most bands in Salt Lake. "It's humor," says bassist Carol Dalrymple, "that gets you through." A strategy for success? After poking fun at the crowd's misogynists, the girls of FistFull succeeded in drawing a crew of ladies to the front for a mosh pit.

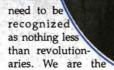
When she was playing with Power Tools for Girls in the early '90s, Julie Styer remembers two Provo bouncers who wouldn't let her past the entrance to warm up

for her I can I string my guitarl now and other band. She was girls should be able to learn how withiust girlfriend, out feeling intimidated..."—Angie Eralie they

"You guys are fucking assholes," she responded. "My band is headlining tonight."

Girls across the Salt Lake underground know that being a musitips, find band members, and locate shows that feature other female musicians. Says Angie, "When I was 18, I couldn't restring my guitar. I can do it now

need to be recognized as nothing less than revolution-





almost anywhere.

'You walk into an equipment store and they're like, 'hey, it's a chick," says Angie, who provides advice through the UGGLIES site on locating girl-friendly stores.

Lindsay chooses to bring boys with her when she goes shopping for equipment. "If I don't make it a point to bring a male along every time I go to a music shop, I can plan on being charged double," she says.

Kelly Green, the ferocious singer and guitarist behind the vegan-punk-rocking trio Teen Tragedies, gets flack even though she is the head employee of equipan ment store (Salt Lake City's Guitar Center). "People second guess me and I'm the fucking manager, she says.

Others, Debi like Graham,

irked by unfair gig payment.

Debi Graham is the lead singer, acoustic guitar player and driving namesake for Debil

Graham and the Full St. George, the well-

spoken Debi has molded her band into an aggressive blend of loud folk rock-but failed to join her male counterparts on the higher end of the payment scales.

In shows, Debi plays hard. When she lights the stage with her acoustic guitar and graceful

> figure, audience members tend to expect something soft. feminine. When I start throwing on my overdrive pedal, people think again," she says.

Being paid less than her male counterparts-and witnessing the transactions herself-is a sore spot with Debi. 'Most of the clubs in Salt Lake are maleowned," she says. "A woman-owned club makes all the difference." At certain female-owned clubs in town, she says, she comes home she can expect from most male club owners. To fight the inequity, she persists with the owner, and continues to get herself booked at establishments that pay her poorly. That, she says, has earned her respect-and fairer wages.

Julie Styer, who has been the driving force behind the raw, screeching sounds of Power Tools for Girls, the bewitching, sexy power of Lovesucker, and now the hard-edged punk discord flavor of Silvox, just wants to be taken as seriously as her boy counterparts.

"I care extremely that I'm taken seriously," says the band leader, who is calling the shots, booking the shows, planning the practices, and writing all the music and lyrics for her new project, which includes two male members. other

"It's not about guys or girls...it's Band. Originally from about rockers."—Carri Wakefield

> Despite her pink and black hair and commanding presence, Julie is excited about the prospect of girls being able to blend into the background-and glad to see that more girls are picking up instruments. "I can remember a time when it was only me and Amber Jarvis of Mouthbreather," she says.

> Today, Amber Jarvis plays with Optimus Prime, and doesn't consider herself much of a pioneer. "I don't like to be gender-specific,"

> Julie likes the idea of girl musicians playing their "novelty" down:

> "Now a girl can be in the shadows," she says, "and it's not a big deal. Women are playing a more subtle role-and that's awesome."

> One girl who "plays in the shadows" is Carri Wakefield, bassist for the Wolfs. Also having played in the past seven years with Tarn, Furious Fire, Guitarchestra, and Cobra, Carri is a seven-year stage veteran with an unassuming but solid playing style. With long

for a rock 'n roll bass player.

"It's not about guys or girls-it's about rockers," she says. "There is obviously more men than women playing, but it's never been an issue for me. I want to have a good time, and I want to rock."

Misty Murphy, a guitar player of eight years who has just released a new CD (available at Graywhale), alternately ignores a male-female divide and rides off

it, taking advantage of what some see male objecwomen's bod-

ies. With a sexy stage persona, Misty plays a powerful blend of self-described feminine rock. With surfer-girl beauty and a lithe, muscular build, Misty plays up the dichotomy between her sensuously soft vocals and her heavy guitar playing.

"In this town, it's to my benefit...," says Misty.

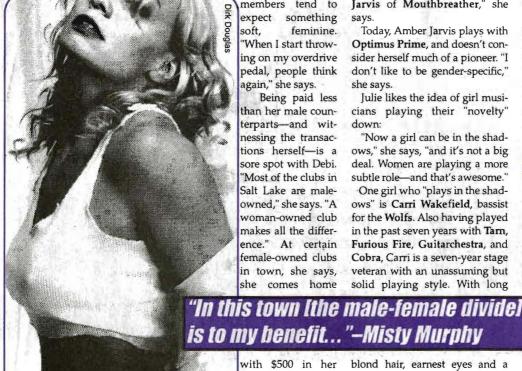
A Woman's Place

"It doesn't take a penis to hold a fucking guitar," says Kelly Green, guitarist and singer for the punk band Teen Tragedies.

In a town where roughly one out of every five bands in the underground rock scene has a female musician-and maybe one of ten boasts a female leader-some girls wonder if

playing is a man's job.

"Because I'm a girl, I always have to prove it," Kelly says. "But I don't think my music has anything to do with gender," she says, pointing to the more obvi-



with \$500 in her pocket, as opposed to the \$200 average

blond hair, earnest eyes and a gentle manner, the masseuse-byday seems an unlikely candidate ous politico-vegan content of her lyrics.

Victoria Johnson, the guitarist and vocalist for the all-girl band the Basement, is used to proving herself. "Male musicians have really low expectations of females," she says. When a male co-worker teased that he'd never met a girl who could do a guitar solo, she called him on it, promising to give him a lesson in female rock on their next break. "I have to drop all modesty and prove myself," she says.

Proving one's self, says Redd Tape drummer Lindsay Heath, can also be quite rewarding. "I find myself, sitting behind a drum set, waiting for the guitars to tune," she says. "I catch the

set up the drums for the drummer...huh?' or

'that's awesome these guys let you play with

them.' I almost enjoy those comments; the

events to follow always...bring me ultimate

intelligent lyrics can barely be heard over the

hard sounds of Nell Nash, her band. Wearing

a boa, leather pants and a knowing smirk, she

invents her own style on stage and plays as if

she could care less about a supposed male

gaze in the audience. That, she says, is how to

Liza Law is a tough guitar player whose

handed by the Mormon culture.

"Being Mormon pushed me into music," says Rebecca, who attended BYU and is still active in a faith many fault for oppressing women's rights. "It's a potent way to escape, a form of empowerment."

Looking out through black-line eyes as she sets prepares to set up her drums, she says, "I hope girls won't be afraid to play, even if it's male dominated."

Visual Stimuli

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Julie Styer, on the other hand, finds power in female sexuality. "In America, sex sells," she

"Smart says. women understand that sex is power, and you can be

damned sure I'm going to take advantage of that. Then I can fuckin' show 'em that I rock."

Women interviewed for a recent City Weekly story depicted the sexy Misty Murphy as a tramp with no talent riding on sex appeal. "I show cleavage. I think it's funny when people are intimidated by that."

Sexualized representation of women in the media doesn't bother Misty, who brands herself with sensual images on her own CD. Utilizing her sex appeal is a perk, she says. "I express my boyish side—I rock climb, get dirty-and my girlish side-going shopping, doing my hair," she says. "Ignoring any of these aspects would be a shame."

Still, other bands find power in projecting

and exploiting female stereotypes.

That empowerment, some, is distinctly femi-

> nine. Such is the case for the girls in the Eastern European downtempo collective The Stove, vocalist Kristin Muirhead and violinist Katya Murafa

bring things only women can bring: o v e warmth--but

...Sex sells...and I'm going to take advantage of that."-Julie Styer

playing, everyone is intimidated, speechless. We're out of people's comfort

zones."

Indeed, The Stove's powerfully delivered mix of eerie hip-hop, jazz, classical music, haunting melodies, and Eastern gypsy accents are not what an audience might expect of two self-described "feminine" girls and a quiet beat man in the background. Their other-worldliness and nearly supernatural communication with each other and the audience confront an eye eager to objectify.

Today, the classically-trained Katya-who has played violin since she was a child growing up in Russia-and the four-and-a-half octave vocalist Kristen-who used music as a

way out of Utah Valley playfully point out they'd still

'It doesn't take a penis to hold a fucking guitar."-Kelly Green

necessarily need me."

Eduard.

"We are women," says Kristin. "We when we are done

Passing it un

"The rawness of the bass, the power is a beautiful thing," says Carol of Fistfull. "It's

the super low-end, something you can feel." That power, however sublime, is something

performing with or without their beat mixer,

a smile, "and I'm the first to say it. They don't

The dark-eyed Katya—who, with her visibly

pregnant figure is perhaps the most "femi-

nine" of any female musician in Salt Lake-

knows people have their doubts about the

Stove when they ascend the stage. "Some

bands we've opened for have been suspicious

when they look at us," she says. "We're not

scared. I'm pregnant and I'm playing and I

"We're a chick band," responds Eduard with

beat it. "We're calling bullshit on these motherfuckers," she says, when asked about men who don't take female musicians seriously. "We need to relearn issues of gender...to redefine what it means to be girls." Drummer Rebecca

satisfaction."

Vernon whose fierce and primal beats fuel much of the goth-inflected Violet

Run's powerful stage presence, finds joy in confounding the gender expectations she perceives are

Carol wants to share with other girls. Through performance and mentoring-Carol has taught bassplaying at the University Utah-she's hoping more girls discover their own "super lowend." Victoria

Johnson, the 19-year-old guitarist and vocalist for the all-girl act the Basement, sees the solution in information sharing.

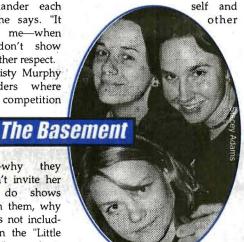
"Networking, is made difficult by a society that fails to encourage girl-girl with. "One thing that really pisses me off is when women slander each other," she says. "It bothers me-when

they don't show each other respect. Misty Murphy

> wonders where her competition

is-why they don't invite her to do shows with them, why she's not included in the "Little Lilith"-type festivals. For her, female support seems far off.

"I think I've been left out," she says with a laugh. "Maybe it's an Lindsay Heath speaks of a nearly spiritual communion between her-



particularly girls in the audience.

Ultimately, it's showing the guys-and especially the girlsthat she can beat the hell out of her drums that gives her satisfaction.

"An exchange takes place within myself and the other females in the room," she says. "Their souls pour into their me, desperate

voids

desires to become something. I, in turn, send back every supportive wave of compassion I can find within myself.

Benefit Show

Do girls rock like guys do in SLC? See for yourself. Join SLUG for an evening of girl power at Kilby Court on Friday, July 26 and Saturday, July 27. Performers include:

Friday, July 26 Chubby Bunny Violet Run Redd Tape The Stove Debi Graham & the Full Band **Nell Nash** Saturday, July 27 The Basement Teen Tragedies Silvox The Wolfs Misty Murphy Fistfull

Proceeds go towards Women Against Risk (WAR) ,a LOCAL non-profit group. Visit slugmag.com/girls for more information on this show.

Even pregnancy doesn't hault another performance from The Stove!!!

team playing-at least when compared to boys," argues Victoria. Thus emerges the "cat fight" phenomenon.

It's an obstacle, adds Carri Wakefield, no one should put up over sight."

On the opposite end of the spectrum,

IT TAKES A "W

By Jaimie Gadett

W.A.R. What is it good for? On its own the word carries several negative connotations. However, as an acronym, each letter comes together to form something with the potential to change lives. Women At Risk, a program developed under the watchful eye of the Harm Reduction Project, aims to reduce the risks facing female commercial sex workers. Following in the vein of clean needle sharing programs and methadone clinics, W.A.R. seeks, not to eradicate prostitution or escort services, but to increase these women's chances for survival. Propelled by fear installed by a growing AIDS epidemic, the Harm Reduction Project took root in New York as drug users attempted to increase the survival rate of friends and family involved in risktaking behaviors. A Utah chapter was formed in 1997 and as its success grew, so did a number of new programs, one of which was W.A.R

Services provided by W.A.R include: group and individual counseling, life skills classes, advocacy, diversion programs, and outreach. According to Angela Gerritsen, Director of Program Services at W.A.R, in addition to producing "teasers" pamphlets containing messages on disease prevention, participants are also in the process of creating their own magazine. Not only are these women gaining access to education and health care, by they're also making connections that may

help them gain entry into rehabilitation clinics. "A lot of these centers have year-long waiting lists," said "Most of these women Gerritsen. don't have time to wait around for help." W.A.R gives them an opportunity to find faster solutions.

"We're really planting seeds for change," said Gerritsen. Women involved in the program are in no way forced to relinquish risk-taking behaviors, but are rather presented with ways to improve upon their situation. Many of the participants continue selling their bodies for money and drugs, however, others find a way to break the degenerative cycle and take steps to leaving that dangerous lifestyle behind. W.A.R's early days, Gerritsen hit the streets on her own to recruit female sex workers for the program. After two years, many of those same women became recruiters themselves.

"In the 70's, with the sex industry was thriving, streetwalkers in Salt Lake were a lot more exposed," said Gerritsen. "In today's current climate though, prostitution has been forced underground and as a result it's harder to find these women and get them help."

Not surprisingly, the city remains rather skeptical of the program, however the two entities have managed to forge a relationship. "We're strange bedfellows," said Gerritsen. Though their existence is still in check, Gerritsen is confident that W.A.R will continue to grow. "As of now we're committed to another year without funding, but we're hoping for some private aid in the future.

Until then, W.A.R will have to rely on outside donations and volunteers to help them their efforts to battle the negative circumstances keeping a significant portion of our female population down.

Help Support this critical organization and Local Female Rockers at Kilby Court on Friday, July 26 and Saturday, July 27-more information listed above.

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with your host Saturday 6th: For those who like beautiful tranguil music that is both challenging

and disjointed, then check out The Casket Lottery at Kilby Court. Hailing from Kansas City, the same home town as Shiner, Casket approaches music with a creative eye while not confusing the listener. On their release Moving Mountains, melodies dip and soar with passionate but aggressive vocals that get two highly enthusiastic thumbs up in the masterpiece department from yours truly.

Saturday 6th: A show that I was afraid would reek of terrible hippie shit, but actually might turn out pretty good is Dr. Didj at the Lazy Moon. Didj is a guy who plays a Didgeridoo, an ancient wind instrument from Australia that creates a insect sounding drone, over a combination of retro-funk and psychedelia trance. Still sounds like hippie shit? Not really, more like the feel good dance vibes of Jamiroquai without the soulful singing. Smoke a huge fatty and get those dance shoes on, ya' dig?

Sunday 7th: Described as, "Eerie grinding keyboards mixed with driving bass, thundering drums, wall-of-sound guitar, and frantic desperate vocals," Alternative Tentacles records latest presentation, The Phantom Limbs, sounds like a band that will both amaze musically and scare theatrically with their performance, when they play at The Foundation in Provo. Apparently the lead singer gets naked and covers himself in grease paint, duct tape, wrapping paper and other strange substances. Who said rock is dead? Should be worth the drive to Provo.



Monday 8th: Ahh...the blues, ya' got to love 'em. And nothing is better then when a guy comes to town who knows what the blues are really about. W.C. Clark is one of those godfathers who can also dip into rock n' roll, Memphis soul and searing roadhouse blues. When he plays at the Dead Goat Saloon, expect this music veteran of forty

years to lift the audience into a rollicking frenzy as he showcases songs off his new release as well as tunes that helped him become the legend he is.

Monday 8th: This show will pulverize the walls of X-Scape. The Muscle Memory Tour comes crashing into town with pop-power punk fav's All headlining. Most people know this great band as being three of the four members of punk godfathers The Descendents. All has a distinct personality and put on one helluva good show. The band I really want to see is Someday I. Their latest, "Ref 4" is about as close as you're going to get to being a sonic musical masterpiece, a perfect 10!, that your going to get from an band coming out of the underground these days. Described as, "being unequal parts of Jawbox, Shudder to Think, and Shiner", I state that they are all these and more, rolled into an tight three piece that writes incredibly intelligent music that peeks way at the top and stays there. This tour features the best of All member's label O&O; also on the bill is Wretch Like Me and Armstrong.

Wednesday 10th: People who remember the indie post punk band Garden Variety will want to set up and take notice of the arrival of Radio 4 at Kilby Court, which features a member from the aforementioned band. This three piece from New York gets high marks for their latest Gotham!, as well as their debut, The New Song and Dance. Both are filled with sing along pop songs that get into your head and leave you humming. Sounding similar to the legendary Gang of Four, Radio 4's sound will get hipsters shaking their butts to the bands jagged jangle, and shaking their fist to the bands raw and intense musical emotion and energy.

Friday 12th: Pay close attention, because this show is an early one. Political power punk band Good Riddance returns to Salt Lake City at Brick's to school all those who think that a Republican leadership under W. "The Idiot" Bush, the thief in chief. These guys practically helped define for many years what it meant to be

a real punk band, with their brand of painfully honest state of the union addresses atop scathing power guitar chords and rhythms that speed past at breathe taking speeds. Not for the conservative at heart. After taking in this bombastic show in the day, head over to Urban Lounge for Localized.

Friday 12th: Local music anyone? Now where would this city be without the artistic talents of local musicians who feel that deep spark and need to create with sonic art? Fortunately this great indie 'zine that you hold in your hands knows and appreciates local music, that's why they sponsor Localized every month at the *Urban*

Lounge. This month's showcase features Hello Amsterdam, (which stars a member of Stella Brass fame) a good heartfelt sensorial experience that is somewhat similar to musical approach as Stella Brass. The second local, Blue Collar Line, is described as, "a bunch of assholes who sound like Refused, ABBA, and Neil Diamond on crack", should definitely be worth the small price

of admission. And last on the line up is actually a national act that was accidentally put on the bill, Very Metal, who is named after Vivian's jacket slogan from The Young Ones British comedy show. Very serious power punk that is compared to a cross between Motorhead, Poison Idea, and The Exploited, Very Metal should frighten the kiddies into submission. Give 'em the boot. Oi!!!!

Saturday 13th: A three piece that builds slightly forlorn pop songs around a drum-bass-piano formula is the best way to describe The Prom, who will be performing their unique brand of music at Kilby Court. Having returned with a successful tour with label mates Death Cab For Cutie, The Prom is set to release their sophomore effort, Under the Same Stars. The band will be previewing that night at Kilby their blend of sad piano based songs which, "has been compared musically to the Black Heart Procession and McCartneyesque Elton John", by the band's press kit. Somber material for a warm summer night, a way to deal with your Jack Daniel's bottle having suddenly become empty.

Wednesday 17th: Much like a David Lynch film, The Fire Show comes on with a dark foreboding that is both uncomfortable but also compelling. You want to dislike their disjointed passion of harmonic chaos, but somehow one is drawn deeper into listening to more and more of the creative experimentation that is The Fire Show's third release, Saint the Fire Show. Fans of The Birthday Party and later Radiohead will dig this crazy shit. When they perform at Kilby Court that night, don't miss them because this will be their last show. And apparently live their performances are full of cathartic improvisational mayhem that is quoted as never truly being captured on record.

Friday 19th: For those who were disappointed when Tiger Army cancelled you will get your payback tonight at X-Scape. Expect psycho-greaser anthems with acoustic stand-up bass slapping and powerful drum pounding, layered with emotional tales of the creepy nights when werewolves prowl and zombies lurch after punk kids in Rancid T-shirts.

Saturday 20th: After having reviewed their show last time they came to town, and having seen first hand the power and collaborative genius of Track Star, I look forward when they return to town at Todd's Bar and Grill. A three piece that knows the meaning of scenic and serene, this bands brand of noisepop is both grand and skillful. The band will perform songs from their latest, "Lion Destroyed the World", which range from the sedate power ballads to the sublimely blissful rockers, all on the small stage that is at Todd's, a sight to see with thy own eyes.

Saturday 20th: Tool is coming to town again at the *E-Center*. If you don't know anything about this amazingly talented famous band, then you're an idiot!! So instead focus in on the opening act for that night Tomahawk. It features drummer John Stanier of Helmet, bass player Kevin Rutmanis of Cows and Melvins, guitarist Duane Denison of The Jesus Lizard, and vocalist Mike Patton Mr. Bungle and Faith No More.

Together they perform something very musically different. While similar to all of the aforementioned bands, Tomahawk's goes into about a million directions while retaining enough of a structure to keep the average listener from running screaming out of the room. Truly a rock vision that is worthy of praise, attention, and the true ability to open for such a powerhouse as Tool.

Saturday 20th: Sometimes, good emostyle bands don't necessarily die. Instead they just add different elements and adopt a new name. Case in point Hey Mercedes (who will be playing at X-Scape) have risen out of the ashes of the defunct band Braid. Hey Mercedes just released a new EP filled with per-

sonal vocals, angular guitars and stellar drum work that is somewhat similar to Braid, but with a patient more relaxed approach to the songs. Opening is Audio Learning Center, thick melodic pop from former members of Pond and Sprinkler. Also on the bill is Koufax and Piebald, who both perform hook laden balls of sensitive music with an edgier rock backbone. Koufax incorporates a piano into their music to give it a deeper passionate angle.

Saturday 20: The king of scary punk is paying a visit to our state in the most unlikely of venues. Danzig, the Elvis of everything dark and dreary, will be spreading his dark wings over the town of Park City when he scares the hell out of all the hippies at Harry O's. Why. is Mister "Mother!" playing at such small out of the way venue?



tion, for which I have no answer. But his since opening band is the newly reformed Prong, will definitely be worth the five hours waiting in line to make sure you get in to see both.

Sunday 21st: One of the masters of acid jazz and electronic blues is DJ Spooky, who will come to town at the Zephyr Club. Working with real live jazz sounds, this talented madman of the turntables mixes session musicians, playing a wide variety of instruments, with fat beats. Spooky even plays a live bass to accompany the dance beats. Spooky wants music with a beat to be more then just some guy twisting knobs or spinning records-he wants it to be organic and hopefully he will translate that live.

Tuesday 23rd: Hailing from Texas, the five piece American Analog Set writes some absolutely



moving pop sensibilities. Translated as pure pop glory at times, to grooved out instrumentals, to power ballads to mellow out the savage rock animals. On this tour the band will be supporting their latest release, the EP "Updates" which features remixes (?) of some of their songs by fellow tour buddies and openers Her Space Holiday. Holiday is a one-man band, a guy who likes to mix atmospheric and dreamy electronica elements and samples with structures that would make any indie kid smile wide. Also tentatively on the bill that night at Kilby Court is Xiu Xiu, a very amazing band that writes music unlike anything you've ever heard before. Mixing simple dance beats with traditional orchestral instruments over somber lyrics sung with a rich voice that hits every note with stinging grace, Xiu Xiu well quickly be the favorite new band of many

music lovers.

Friday26th and Saturday 27th: Local Ladies Night at Kilby Court featuring local female musicians and their bands, see the cover story of this month's issue for more details.

Sunday 28th; Compelling as it is powerful is the best way to sum up Town and Country. A minimalist approach to music in the same veins as God Speed You Black Emperor and Low, Town and Country want to break down the wall of contemporary structured music. stretching and weaving songs until they become powerful ideas that express a feeling of graphic euphoria. Prepare for a nirvanic sensation of pleasure as the band prepares you for an departure of the aural senses that night at Kilby Court.

Tuesday 30th: When I was a kid there was this friend of mine who used to think he was a rock god from hell as he sat and constructed complex musical compositions on his cheap "bleeps and chirps" Casio keyboard. I bet that's how the writer for I Am The World Trade Center feels when he constructs his songs, that he's living out his childhood fantasy of being a dance club god. Sounding like a low-fi Blondie and/or ABBA, Kilby Court patrons may have a heard time relating to IATWTC's type of experimental music. But then again it might fulfil their desire to hear something similar but uniquely different then what they're used to.

Wednesday 315t: And last for the month of July is the Oops Tour! at Kilby Court which features four bands who blatantly define the meaning of "Crazy Shit Man!". The Locust is so shapeless in their music that it takes several listens and an open mind to understand that they are psychopathic jazz styled musicians with a keyboard player who believes that he is the green winged one. The Blood Brothers, similar to Drowningman in that they scream and play in a chaotic frenzy that death metal bands sound well adjusted. Lightning Bolt, a two piece drum and bass attack that is both complicated and loud. And finally on the line-up is Arab On Radar, who is completely raw, blistering, senseless and absolutely spastic. Be warned, not for the tame of heart, those who like structure, melody, and/or enjoy sensitive nerdy boy music.



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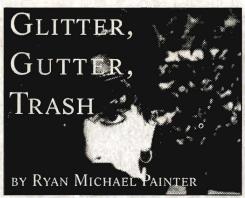
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A special thank you to those who threw the party known as Dark Arts. The evening I attended was a wonderful time to reminisce with old friends and watch some talented local and national acts. I hope to see the tradition continue on over the next few years. Maybe Convergence: Salt Lake isn't so far fetched after all.

Various Artists Blisscent I Blisscent Records

Shoegazing was a fantastic music movement that wasn't easily pigeonholed. It stretched to include the cascading likes of Ride and Slowdive and the distorted chaos of the Jesus & Marychain and My Bloody Valentine. It also faded into obscurity by the midnineties when most of the contributing bands broke up or locked themselves into studios and were never heard from since. This compilation pulls together the second generation of Shoegazing (and with the success of

with the success or BRMC a revival might not just be wishful thinking). The diversity remains; you have male vocals, female vocals, drum machines, real drummers, guitars washed under distortion, chorus and delay effects and surprisingly the album never feels uneven. It could have used a better mastering but in the end, this disc is a very rewarding reminder of how music can be beautiful and unpolished at the

Looper
The Snare
Mute Records

same time.

Stuart David (ex-bass player for Belle & Sebastian) returns with

his third release and a darker cabaret sound. Based partially on David's recent novel The Peacock Manifesto, a wild ride of one Peacock Johnson and his recently acquired cohort Evil Bob and their hapless attempts to score a dance hit by putting an electronic beat to "Rhinestone Cowboy." The problem being Peacock Johnson and Evil Bob were real people and the book was their story and somehow this album and their involvement with it is some sort of apology. Fortunate for us because the book is very entertaining (required reading for anyone who thinks they have a great idea) and the album is rather good. The Snare is a smoke filled trip-hop record without being camp; swapping out the brashness of a torch singer for a cool collected swagger. Sadly there "Rhinestone no techno Cowboy" but from all accounts it sounds far better than the just released Belle & Sebastian album.

Speedy J Loudboxer

Novamute Records

While my tastes have moved from more traditional dance music to the experimental realms of Germany's Beefcake I've always had a passing interest in Speedy J (aka Jochem Paap). His albums tend to garnish good reviews and he has a loyal fan base that continues to grow-But Loudboxer suffers from the clichéd repetitive motifs that drive forward but never really go anywhere. The first 30 seconds of each track sound fairly fresh but that freshness is lost far too quickly. Yes, the sounds are rather interesting and I'm sure if mixed within a club environment it would be one hell of a ride but as an album it lacks the variety to distinguish itself from yesterday's anonymous white vinyl pressings.

Voltaire Boo Hoo Projekt Records

You can love him or hate him but the dark comic of goth is a welcome addition to what has often become a stagnant genre. Mixing the tongue-in-cheek acoustic pop of The Beautiful South with the dark musings of falling out of love Voltaire provides a fantastic evening of laughs (yes, you are allowed) without sounding forced (a difficult accomplishment for albums based on a running theme, just ask Black Tape For A Blue Girl). Worth checking out because it is more viable than his last Star

Trek influenced release (not everyone loves Star Trek but everyone has fallen out of love) and the two cover revisions of Tori Amos, "Caught A Lite Sneeze" and Bjork's "Bachelor(ette)" could be confused with heresy but should be considered playful tributes.

Audra Going To The Theatre Projekt Records It would be easy to disregard

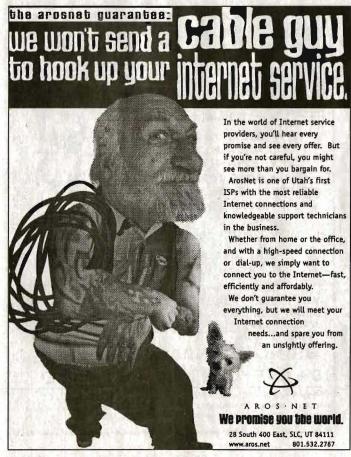
them as another goth pairing of brothers who think its still 1989 and are in a serious need of the bleeps and analogue bubbling of recent goth/industrial hybrids. However Audra do take the old format of guitars and drum machines and do rather well with it (which should please purists who haven't taken a liking to anypost-Rosetta thing Stone's Tyranny of Inaction). There are the obvious influences from the Sisters to Bauhaus but not quite as blatant as The Wake, Funhouse or even the oftenentertaining Atmosphere. They're also from Arizona and should be considered for a Nightmare,s event in the future.

Bryan Ferry Frantic Virgin Records

Perhaps Ferry is finally living up to his stereotype as Frantic comes across perfectly with its mixture of cover songs, originals and a guest list that includes the writing talents of Johnny Greenwood (Raidiohead), Dave Stewart and old Roxy Music friend Brian Eno. More raw than his recent releases, sounding like he did 20 years ago before becoming obsessed with ballads (perhaps the Roxy Music reunion reminded him of the glory days) and far better than his last lackluster 30's tribute As Time Goes By. A vibrant return to form. 3

King of Woolworths Ming Star Mantra/Beggars Banquet

An electronic kaleidoscope soundscape submerged in toy pianos, glitches, alien landings, exotic chimes and heavily effected samples. Mellow at times, anything but at others. A nice mix that keeps you slightly on edge, particularly with the effective use of sampled dialogue. Reminiscent at times of The Prodigy, Death In Vegas and the Dust Brother's work for the Fight Club soundtrack.



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by Josh Scheuerman

Nestled among thick birch furs, 60 foot pines, at 3500 ft. in the shadow of Mt. Hood they are working in the calm before the storm.

"They", are the counselors, coaches, diggers, and administration that make up High Cascade

Mt. Hood has over 133" when I visited and stays open year round. Traveling to Timberline Lodge takes 15 min. and puts you at the base of a spectacular sight. Once an active volcano, the south side blew out to smooth, snowboarder's heaven. Bright blue skies greet me as I ride the lift up to HCSC's on hill park. Boasting one of the biggest parks on the mountain the super pipes are being cut by none other than Pat Malendoski. You might have seen his work as Ross Powers boosted the

biggest air in the history of competition. Yeah, Pat carved the Olympic super pipe and is busy building two for the camp. The park has jumps and rails for every rider from novice to insane with a huge selection of boxes and rails.

Away from the mountain I was surprised at the diversity of activities that take place during camp.

'activity For day' campers choose can anything from wakeboarding, paint ball, horseback riding rock climbing, golf, trampolines, and movies-really anything campers want to do.

So why go to camp?
Last year was

my first visit to camp, so now I'm going to preach why everyone has to go at least once.

After camp is paid for, you don't have to worry about anything. Lift tickets, housing every meal, every activity, plus personal instructions from some of the best boarders in the world are all included.

workshop where you can learn the business side of being sponsored. How you present yourself is half

Away from the mountain I spent my days with

Kevin English (Head Coach) and asked him why

he has come back for four years. "This is vacation

here. There's really no bad aspects about spending

time with your friends and boarding every day."

Bohnsack, Katrina Voutilaninen and Sara

Osterberg took 1st, 2nd and 3rd in women's

slopestyle. They are all coaching this summer. I

asked Katrina why she returned to coach for her

second season. Besides having her husband Ami as

On-Hill-Manager, "I return for the kids as much as

myself. I'm stoked to see kids learning new tricks."

Each week there is a rotating cast of pro's that either

come to film their final movie parts or improve for

the coming season. There is also a pro-related

Ladies don't feel left out either. At the Breckinridge, CO Vans Triple Crown, Kim

Who will be at camp?

the battle.

On the last day I'm at camp Steve Van Doren has arrived to through a bbq for all of the staff. You might not have heard of Steve, but maybe of his

fathers company; Vans. In 1998 Vans, who had been sponsoring the skate program at camp, bought HCSC and has transformed it into what it is today.

The skate ramps are almost finished, with some of the cooks taking first sessions. The snowboard park is being sculpted, but the staff really are just looking at all the food provided with disbelief. This is the fruit's of their labors, to hang out with fiends that return year after year, to do a job they truly love.

As night settles in I duck quietly out before the storm arrives.

I now know, the storm is what the crew at HCSC is really looking forward to, because when the campers arrive, shuffling sleepily off the busses, the real fun begins.

The July 30th -August 8th and August 11th -18th (Adult Camp also) are still available.

Check out www.highcascade.com for more information. HCSC and Vans sponsor summer skate camps as well. www.vansskatecamps.com

Get off your ass, work hard and enjoy 10 days you will never forget.



Snowboard Camp (HCSC). For over a month the camp has slowly taken shape as the snowmelts, until June 13th when the storm arrives. For the next three months they will all work 10 days on two off until the calm once again returns.

The "storm" is 220 kids and adults per session ranging as young as 12 to almost 60 years of age for six sessions.

Started in 1989 by two entrepreneurs, John Ingersoll and John Caulkins, HCSC was one of the first summer camps in history. Over the years the camp has grown into one of the most professional and well-rounded camps in the world. Located only an hour outside of Portland, I recently had the opportunity to visit the camp before the first kids were shuttled into camp.

As I pulled into Government Camp (just 6 miles from the ski lifts) there seems to be mass confusion. However, after a few minutes walking around I learn that each wanderer turns out to be on an individual task, while whole groups concentrate on different

problems to be solved. It's the organization of an elaborate beehive. There is a new Vans street course being erected in front of the lodge. Behind Charles, new ramps and bowls are being cut and fitted together. The diggers are even keeping busy at the fire pit, disposing of last year's ramps and scraps from the new additions.

Like the campers that will soon be arriving, each day starts early and ends late. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served at the camp presenting everyone a chance to interact and reflect on the day.



The typical day starts at 8:30 with breakfast and an hour later you're on the hill with your coach. A sack lunch is provided each day you're on the mountain and the park stays open as late as 3:00 p.m. The afternoon activities begin at 3:30 with dinner at 6:30. Every evening there is video analysis that breaks down the day's session and helps to figure out why you can't land that switch rodeo five the coaches taught you. You also get to keep the video to show your buddies who are still sitting on their asses back here in Utah.

ARTEMIS: Kittie might be an all female band, but they are no "chick" band by any means. While they incorporate melodic female vocals on later tracks of Oracle, track one is all hardcore / death vocals. If I didn't know better, I wouldn't have had any idea this was an all female band. These ladies have traded in their flimsy Victoria's Secret guitar picks for the heavy duty, one millimeter, Jim Dunlop picks (you know, the black ones). The Lander sisters (Morgan - guitar/vocals and Mercedes - drums) hit hard with a tight performance, and new bassist Jennifer Arroyo adds ample low end. Kittie keeps this record interesting with a good amount of variation - melodic and caustic vocals, a cover of Pink Floyd's "Run Like Hell", the sludge leanings of track eleven "Pink Lemonade", and an excellent production. Actually, the production adds such a big sound that it makes up for a somewhat lacking technical element. These songs could also use a solo or two, but over-all this is good. Oracle is proof that the ladies are fully capable of grabbing metal by the nuts and running with it..... ouch.

METAL BLADE: The best Vader to date is their latest, Revelations. This band formed back in '86, followed by their first release The Ultimate Incantation in '93. Original members Peter (guitar/vocals) and Doc (drums) are back with Mauser (guitar) and new bassist Simon for the most complete Vader album yet. The steady output of recorded music from the band since '93 and almost constant touring has paid off with a more mature and ambitious song structuring than they've had in the past. This release reveals Vader striking a true balance with their speed and aggression. Without compromising either speed or aggression, the band was able to infuse a hint of melody and metallic groove within the songs. Manowar is back with a new album. At least, I guess you would consider Warriors Of The World a "new" album. These goofy bastards have been doing the same album for the last twenty years. If there's any real difference this time around, it would be the exorbitant amount of ballads that make up the release - annoying even by Manowar standards. Track one "Call To Arms" summons up the usual topics - fight for metal, blood will spill in their wake, death by sword, etc., but then the next six tracks are pure sap. The band rounds out the album in true Manowar fashion with the title track "Warriors Of The World", "Hand Of Doom", "House Of Death" and "Fight Until We Die".

NUCLEAR BLAST: Machinery from the band No Return ended up being too good for it's own good last month. I had every intention of giving Machinery a good review last month, but I spent so much time listening to the release in my car that I forgot to bring it in come review time. Sorry for the delay because you have got to hear this band. No Return is from France and Machinery is the bands fifth full-length album. Their style combines the time tested sounds of thrash with the Gothenburg death style. They add a light amount of keyboards in various parts, mostly to intensify the sci-fi atmosphere that they create with their lyrics. All twelve songs of this release are great. They all have great guitar solos too. Excellent!

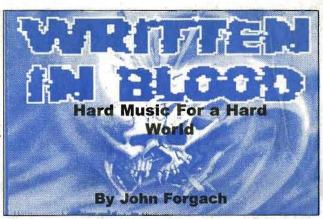
<u>SPV</u>: The most recognizable beginning of Michael Schenker's professional career began in 1971 with the recording of the Scorpion's,

Lonesome Crow. From then, until today, Michael has been playing on and off with UFO. Michael also formed a solo band in the beginning of the '80's - The Michael Schenker Group. 1993 witnessed his first solo acoustic album titled Thank You. The follow up to Thank you (acoustic follow up) was the 2001 release of Thank You 3. Now in 2002 Michael's releasing the acoustic Thank You 2 (2? WTF?). I'm really going to make an effort at not figuring this guy out. I should have

realized his questionable album titling practices back in '81 when the follow up to his self-titled album The Michael Schenker Group ended up being MSG - I never was able to keep those two straight. Anyway, Thank You 2 is an incredible acoustic album. Michael's music loses nothing with the unplugged format, rather, some of the multi-layered pieces ended up being every bit as intense as his electric guitar work. His neo-classical style actually lends itself to the subtle nuances of the acoustic guitar. ---- I just received the latest release from former Accept vocalist Udo Dirkschneider. I'm a little confused though, didn't Udo die in a horrible wrecking ball accident during the filming of the video "Balls To The Wall"? Apparently Udo is alive and well because Man And Machine is his seventh solo album, although, something is telling me his career should have taken the same path as his pseudo demise back in the early '80's. I suppose Man

And Machine isn't that bad, it is sort of interesting to hear what he's able to get out of his scratchy, German voice. My biggest complaint with this album is the repetition factor. The phrase Man And Machine is repeated nineteen times during the title track. If I have to break out my calculator and start doing computations during a review, that's just not a good sign. Then, the song "Private Eye", what's up with that? It's a direct rip-off of Judas Priest's, "Electric Eye". "...I'm always watching you my secret eye. No chance to hide away - I'm not that blind." Come on Udo, what the hell do you think we were listening to back in '81?

One member of the band Rage hails from Europe, another from Russia and the third from the United States. Their album *Unity* is one of the best and most unique albums that I've heard this month. This band plays an extremely aggressive and melodic form of power metal. This three piece has combined the very best elements of power metal with a massive amount of technical proficien-



cv and flair. The instruments are crisp and the brightness of the production is perfect for the music Rage plays. The guitarist absolutely rips, I'm sure he also shreds, copies and collates, but we'll leave that for another discussion. Axel Rudi Pell's Shadow Zone is his thirteenth solo album? Where have I been? His bio makes him out to be some sort of German guitar hero, but I have to respectfully disagree. The guy can craft a decent song, but he's no guitar hero. Shadow Zone is Euro styled power metal. One of the better aspects of Shadow Zone is it's simplicity. Axel keeps his songs to the point without a lot of fanfare. If this were any other European power metal band, the songs would have been sped up to double their speed, there would be double bass from the first note of the album to the last and a ridiculous overly dramatic chorus of vocals would replace a single vocalist. Luckily, Axel steers far from these power metal

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BROTHERS OF CONQUEST-ALL THE COLORS OF DARKNESS

Ex-members of Hookers, Nashville Pussy and Nine Pound Hammer create an absolute metal masterpiece. The combination of blazing guitars, pounding drums, searing vocals and great songs make Brothers Of Conquest possibly the best new American metal band out there today. See them on tour throughout the summer and fall. Death to false metal!

HIGH ON FIRE - SURROUNDED BY THIEVES

With a heavy-hoofed gallop, the gargantuan HIGH ON FIRE bash out towering dimensions of sound on the highly-anticipated Surrounded by Thieves. Burning down the pillars of time with quadrupled intensity, HIGH ON FIRE inject tonal infectiousness as the mammoth, plaster-cracking guitar and throaty war cries of founding member Matt Pike (SLEEP) interlock with elephantine bass grooves and cannon-like percussion, creating the last word in paralysis by sheer volume. Surrounded by Thieves perfectly delivers the behemoth sounds of an immense band. Sonic its sound...Destroyer comes down.





MASTODON - REMISSION

Mastodon awaken the slumbering heavy music scene on their debut full-length "Remission" The band's prodigious ability bridges the soulful and technical as herculean yet incisive songwriting is effortlessly fused with an expansive and emotive tenor. Creative, distinct, graceful and strong, Mastodon's "Remission" features the traits of a benchmark release, a standard to which others will be held and ultimately measured by. Rarely is rock so pure and hard-hitting.

BOULDER - REAPED IN HALF, ACTS I & II

Boulder's raging follow up to 2000's Ravage and Savage. "Filthy heavy rock n' roll with a drunken scumbag for a vocalist.(KKKK)"
- Kerrang!





NO RETURN - MACHINERY

France's finest metal export, No Return have been punishing European audiences for years! Now it's time for the U.S. to discover the raw talent and undeniable energy of No Return with their Nuclear Blast Records debut. Their infectious blend of old-school thrash and brutally catchy extreme metal will surely appeal to fans of Slayer, The Haunted and Death!



ENTWINE - TIME OF DESPAIR

Entwine are at the forefront of the up and coming Dark Rock scene that has been established by bands like Tiamat, Lacuna Coil and Sentenced. "...this Finnish outfit has come up with a fresh take on the more rocking side of gothic music". - OUTBURN



Helloween have finally unleashed their heaviest and most diverse release in years! Long overdue for a domestic release, The Dark Ride was produced by Roy Z (Rob Halford, Bruce Dickinson) and is their first release for Nuclear Blast Records. The first pressing of The Dark Ride includes a bonus CD single so don't miss out!



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TERROR 2000 - FASTER DISASTER

Featuring members of Soilwork and Darkane, Terror 2000 are considered by many to be a Swedish "super group" specializing in the classic "Gothenburg" metal sound. Faster Disaster represents a classic example of how melodic thrash should be played; fast, loud and unhinged!

ORANGE GOBLIN - COUP DE GRACE

They're back, Stinkin' O' Gin, more punked up, and dirtier than ever! The mighty ORANGE GOBLIN return with the release of their new album COUP DE GRACE. Produced by legendary bass maestro Scott Reeder (Kyuss, Obsessed, Unida), COUP DE GRACE sees a more confident, stripped down beast. This is a band fuelled up and ready to burn! COUP DE GRACE also features John Garcia (Kyuss, Unida) on guest vocals!





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As Friends Rust A Young Trophy Band in the Parlance of our Times

Equal Vision Records

One of the latest from Equal Vision, As Friends Rust formed in Florida about six years ago and have since released numerous recordings on Goodlife and Doghouse records. This is their newest EP containing 6 songs that show both inclinations to melodic choruses and the grinding edge of their 80s roots. After doing extensive tours with bands Dillinger Four, Discount, and Strike Anywhere, and pulling 400 + show-goers to several of their headlining shows, they've proved themselves to be a competitive talent in the punk scene. As Friends Rust shouldn't have any trouble obtaining a diverse fan-base either. This record is a worthy addition to the collection of any punk fan looking to check out new music.

-Joey

Boxcar Racer

S/T

MCA Records

Tom Delonge must have some pent up anger from years of ass jokes and teenage groupies. This Boxcar is manned by Tom and Travis Barker (Got Mark?) who conceived the project with extra cash they made with the sales of all of Blink 182's albums. They brought in an orchestra, keyboards, and four studio engineers. Tim Armstrong and Mark Hoppus guest vocal on the strongest track, "Cat Like Thief". Heavier riffs and a song titled "My First Punk Song" speaks loudly about this not so new direction. Boxcar Racer is little more than Blink turning up their amps and singing louder. My little sister likes the single, "I Feel So" and she said the album is good. She's 18. -Josh Scheuerman

The Breeders

Title TK

Elektra

There are a couple of interesting things about the new Breeders' album, their first studio release since their "Last Splash" album released nine years ago. Kim Deal's search for a new ensemble in the days since then led her to join forces with former members of Fear; guitarist and distant Elvis kin Richard Presley, and bassist Mando Lopez. The guitar doesn't add its voice until almost a minute into the first song, "Little Fury." As in their previous work, these songs are a disjointed deconstruction of rock music more than rock songs themselves. But they somehow seem to work, partly because of the typically brilliantly raw yet crystal clear production of Mr. AlbinL There's more than that: the album marks the inception of the All Wave recording philosophy, using no computers, digital recording, or any other alteration of the analog sounds captured on tape. It was developed by Kim when recording two songs with sister Kelley for this disc way back in 1999, "Too Alive" and "Forced to Drive," and not wanting the results to sound technologically dated by the time of the album's release. It's just good to hear them making music again. One more thing, Albini's list of the Deal sisters' fave phrases includes "has anyone seen the iguana," referring to the fact that pot purveyors always seem to own an absent reptile. Ah, some things never

change. www.noaloha.com.
-Stakerized!

Bright Eyes

Lifted or The Story Is In The Soil Keep Your Ear To The Ground

Saddle Creek

So the story continues. This particular story started from a 13-year-old recording of songs about space ships to a man creating beautiful songs that, well, lift you. For fans that thought Fever and Mirrors couldn't get any better, flip the page to the next chapter full of pop and rock. Conor delves into every musical genre. Folk songs "The Big Picture" and Waist Of Paint" to rock ballads "Method Acting" and "From the Balance Beam", 60's pop "False Advertising", finally country influence "Make War" and "Let's not Shit Ourselves (to love and to be loved)". After Desapacideos, Conor has matured in showing us how to relate to his love and loss and how to see the town and country that he lives in. Ending this chapter he strikes in every direction. From the Cowboy President, politicians, television networks, war, his own insecurities and the final thoughts on his continuing legacy, "I do not read the reviews, no I am not singing to you." He really does know just how good the story is going.

-Josh Scheuerman

Burnt Friedman & Jaki Leibezeit

Secret Rhythms

Nonplace Deutsch wunderkid meets Can alum in a swank recasting of lounge goes global. This is space age bachelor kraut music for today, melding Brazilian jazz, futuristic Nigerian juju, 70's cinema soul, and Jamaican dub spacewalks with free rock electro motorik mish mash. The ethno plundering is evident in titles such as "Rasta Fahndung". There are even steel drums on "Obscured by 5". "Gulli Verressen" is what you thought Brian Eno's Afrotunk excursions should've sounded more like, albeit in a 3-D stereo mix. Morton Gronvad's vibes add silkiness to the engine like rhythms clocking in at various slower speeds. It's either electronic music that can be appreciated by older jazz heads or afrokraut jazz for electronic kids.

-Davey Parish

Cadillac Blindside

These Liquid Lungs

Fueled By Ramen "Sweater weather for you and a straightjacket for me." I really like this record and I really like this band. The lyrics verge on the darker side of poetic emo, the music rocks me, and the lead vocals remind me a little of Lars Fredricksen, which is something I didn't expect. Just like any good record, track 5 on this one incorporates orchestration and screaming electric guitars, everyone's favorite combo. Plus, there are pictures of all four band members in the liner notes floating like dead people in a swimming pool. Clever. Another thing to like about this band: they have a female drummer. favorite tracks are "Plug-Pullers Anonymous" and "Killing a Con Artist" Con-Artist." -Carly Fullmer

Cave Catt Sammy Love Me Like Crazy

Rubric Records

Traditional rockabilly; with very tongue-in-cheek humor and lots of attitude. Like the swing-hop style of Lee Rocker and The Paladins, Sammy is a band that keeps the listener interested with their wailing tunes of cheating girls, rockin n' rollin', drinkin', and trashy devil women. These guys make anyone who tikes upright acoustic bass string slappin a huge fan of their engaging music. Live, these guys put on a helluva show, so keep your eyes open for Sammy, he likes to visit our town often.

-Kevlar7

Chumbawamba

Readymades

Universal Chumbawamba is an English Anarchist collective, largely known for its mega-smash Tubthumping. Lesser known is the group's use of taking big advertising payoffs to fund anti-globalism and work er's rights. The long-standing band refined their pop-raganda through a union of punk ideals and techno folk. Some of the song themes include the Irish potato famine of 1845, British sailor's striking their Navy in 1797, racism, child labour, & a humorous send up of English football's Len Shackleton. This large ensemble works because of the respect, freedom and dedication evident in the music. Chumbawamba last visited SLC in the early nineties, possibly sounding more identifiably punk. They have since taken their anarchistic ideals to a broader audience, than ever fathomed, long ago.

-Davey Parish

Cordelia's Dad What It Is

Kimchee Records

Ahhh, a refreshing breath of air has been sent by producer Steve Albini to fill a musical void. This "folk-rock" band transcends categorization by experimenting with a collage of eclectic instruments and vocal stylings. "What it is features vocals reminiscent of Neutral Milk Hotel in tone, and of mountain top choirs in harmonies. Its rambling, ode-like lyrics are pleasurable enough to stretch a smile across your face while the snapdragon drumming grabs onto your ears until the last track has faded. "Little Speckled Egg", "Five Way Flashlight" and "Hammer" spin stories around random concepts that wouldn't be too out of place on a Pixies reunion album recorded live in the Ozark mountains. I highly recommend this album for it is truly a wellcrafted product of a hard working group of North Easterns. At the very least, put that Warped Tour comp back in the bin in favor of a band that defies conformity.

-Jaime Gadette

Current 93/ Nurse With Wound

Music for the Horse Hospital/Sand

Fandertro
This is a 2 disc companion to the recent
London art show featuring David Tibet
and Steven Stapleton at the Horse
Hospital. The compositions were played
at the gallery during the showing of Tibet
& Stapleton's paintings, multimedia, and
drawings, many of which were featured

on their respective Current 93 & Nurse With Wound album covers. The Current 93 track is written in an old alphabet. It's an ambient small chamber piece not dissimilar to Eno's "Discreet Ausic". Salt is the Nurse With Wound disc. It starts off very quietly, almost a dreamlike approach to the sea, which subtly turns into a cosmic ebb. It's my current favorite thing to sleep to, repeating all night, low volume shadowing the din of night into a hush.

- Davey Parish

Danny Frankel

The Vibration of Sound Transparency/True Classical

is this exotica music for the new millennium? Uneasy listening? No-lounge? It would have been far too easy to say that if the disc had a scantily clad vixen in an anonymous tropical locale on the cover. But it didn't, maybe Frankel is setting out to transport us from our middle American identity, on a travelogue adventure into rich new jungles of the psyche. Why else would there be all of the flavors of drums, birdcalls, sitars, didgerdoos, and drones? Certainly not to be the next Les Baxter. It comes off mere like an instrumental radio drama into the otherworldly realms of inner Americana somewhere in between Joe Frank and Chaino.

-Davey Parish

Danzig

I Luciferi

Spitfire Records He's on the attack and he wants his pitchfork back! On this, his toughest offering since III: How The Gods Kill, Danzig casts himself as the terrestrial overlord of the Nether world. No deep messages or statements except that Satan is the One, and that sometimes the brightest lights are to be sought in the depths of the blackness. Utilizing fresh flesh, new blood with newschool sensibilities and decadently twisted Gothic poetry, Danzig dishes up a bone-crunching dish of up-yer-ass porn metal that will leave you writhing in a puddle of your own secretions. Don't be surprised if your pet turns up missing after spinning this platter of sheer evil. Come now, wicked pussycat, it's time to kiss the skult. -Shame Shady

DJ Spooky

Optometry

Thirsty Ear Recorded as a quintet, "Optometry" for me, is a jazz record. Spooky brings a defining illbience to the arranging, and you cannot go wrong with the bright ensemble of today's finest inprov funksters. A lot of names you've seen together before with Matthew Shipp, piano; William Parker, Bass; Joe McPhee, sax & trumpet; & Guillermo E Brown on drums. It's "On the Corner" for now, street funk-Sci-fi mind blenders for today's political landscape. The musicians push the edge of jazz, which has become the defining requirement of new jazz. They head into classical flourishes with Shipp's cascading staccato, and Spooky's kalimba, and ambient electronics. Guests, including avant-garde composer Pauline Oliveros and rapper Napoleon, further expand surfaces. DJ Spooky is appearing July 21 in Salt town at the Zephyr. -Davey Parish

The Exit

New Beat

Some Records Hailing from New York City, this threesome caught their tucklest break when producer Daniel Rey (Misfits, Ramones, Murphy's Law) happened by their studio white recording some demos. They gave Rey a copy of their demo and he ended up producing their latest work, New Beat. Although usually not my genre of choice, I absolutely like The Exit. They have a simple, light, melodic pop-punk sound with smooth vocals and should be of interest to most Jimmy Eat World fans. The eleven songs will give you a substantial taste of their creativity and musicianship. The debut track, "Worthless", is upbeat and almost sickeningly radio-friendly white tracks like Trapped and When I'm Free are more on the mellow and contemplative side. If have confidence The Exit has nowhere to go but forward. -Joey

The Flipsides The Clever One

Pink and Black Records On Fat Wreck Chords' specialty imprint for bands with some estrogen in the roster, the Flipsides' first full length suggests comparisons to the Muffs and early Go-Gos, though not as shrill as the former and having more indie cred than the latter. Frontwoman Sabrina Stewart also writes songs with a firm command of the power chord as well as the hummable hook. "The Best of Times," "I Like You" and the title cut are among the standout tracks for their timeless pop punk sound. Who's the clever one? Best of times indeed.

-Stakerized!

Guided By Voices Universal Truths and Cycles

Matador Freed of the major label albatross that hung around their necks for their last two albums with TVT, this is one of Guided By Voices' best efforts. Robert Pollard's song writing is an ongoing attempt to revitalize rock iconography, make the music real again. But mythic themes get twisted by this warped exschoolteacher's imagination. Sometimes his fertile mind comes up with such unexpected lyrical juxtapositions that song titles like "Christian Animation Torch Carriers" and "Father Sgt. Christmas Card" could come off like random streams of consciousness. But like the best surrealists. Pollard has the confidence in his own abilities to make every combination seem inevitable. carry an awesome weight yet seem almost effortless. Without the pressure to crank out a radio hit or sound selfconsciously heavy, he's free to concoct inventions like the drunken introduction to "Skin Parade," some of his strongest hooks yet with "Back to the Lake" and "Pretty Bombs," and the stunning orchestral suite within "Factory of Raw Essentials." He can make a line like the latter song's "circular beast exhibit" sound tender and push his voice to even further heights than ever before on "Cheyenne." And the sound of two jets rushing overhead at the end of "Storm Vibrations" recorded before 9/11 sounds utterly prophetic. The band has never

sounded more solid than this incarna-

tion, with Doug Gillard's inventive guitar riffs in the forefront. Pollard's titled the album in typically grandiose fashion, but this set is good enough that the band might yet become a universal standard. www.gbv.com.

-Stakerized!

IN STEREO Record and Rewind

Fueled By Ramen "Vice Versa Inquisition", Jamie Woolford summarizes the purpose of his band's second release: "I'm not/ trying to reinvent/ what you call music". IN STEREO's "Rewind and Record" is an album marked by adept musicianship, however creators fail to take any significant creative risks with their sound. The result is nothing you haven't heard before. Woolford, who originally formed the band with the collaborative efforts of Rory Philips (since reunited with Texas pop outfit The Impossibles), is an instrumental everyman juggling vox, guitar, percussion, and drum programming. Potential for innovative technique is drowned out by strains of feeble emo and bastardized "punk". Some of the album's tunes are indicative of STEREO's potential for producing truly original rock. Until that opportunity to stand out is realized, this release will be suitable for those who wish to color inside the lines.

-Jaime Gadette

Jew

Demo Sampler

Self-Released It's very fortuitous that Jew's CD is released with this kind of timing. God only knows how the planet would have continued to revolve without yet another band that sounds like everyone else. To get a better feel of this band's sound, picture this: Any band off the playtist of any so-called "alternative" rock station combined with any of the less than manly lead vocals of the current crop of boybands and you've about got it. So, while you may have already heard all the music before and probably done much better, at least the band comes through and delivers some of the most insipid, banal, trite, and contrived lyrics ever. The retardation of these fools is exceeded only by their pretension. The band claims that the title is unrelated to religion and is based on the name of a frog. My rough equivalent is to announce that I am now forming a band called the Episcopalian Presbyterian Hindu Buddhist Catholics, but the band name is in NO WAY RELIGIOUS: It comes from a candy

bar wrapper that means a lot to me. -Evocator

Jana McCall

Slumber

UP Records Jana McCall sternly resists any attempts at comparisons between her and Mazzy Star. My suspicions lean towards jealousy on the part of McCall towards Star being an industry force. Those comparisons, though, are justified. Although this is a bit of an uneven album, the music is strong enough to remove the onus of boring from the descriptions on the press release of melancholic and moody. At the risk of further annoying the artist, there is no better benchmark for this record than Mazzy Star. While the two are by no means identical, nor is this album derivative of Star, it will give you a good idea of what to expect from this disc. McCall's voice is angelic at moments, but for most of the album sounds a bit street-worn and dusty, lending a strong sense of urgency to the vocals. Her backing band on this disc, The Ruby Doe, accompany McCall magnificently, however it is the arrangements by Brent Arnold that bring the biggest bang for the buck and ultimately carry this very melodic album. Definitely worth your time to check out.

-Evocator

Lone Pigeon

Concubine Rice

Domino Records After being forced to leave The Beta Band in 1996 due to mental illness The Lone Pigeon has reemerged with his debut album Concubine Rice. This is not an album for the simple-minded. It is erratic and bizarre. The CD has fourteen tracks, but the insert lists twenty-eight songs that all mesh into one another sometimes gracefully and sometimes It's difficult to define the abruptly. character of an album that never stays in one place long enough to establish a tangible personality. Suffice to say, this album is brilliantly crafted and presented with an artistic intensity that ceaselessly recreates itself from beginning to end. I couldn't help but feel a sense of awe at its inventiveness.

MAD AT GRAVITY

Resonance

ArtistDirectRecords Based on its detail-specific chord progressions and adventurous time signatures coupled with an aggressive tone and theme, I hereby decree Southern Cali based quintet MAD AT GRAVITY as new torchbearers ProgAggroRock. "Resonance", features vocals powerful enough to invoke James Maynards' presence, a quality that has earned the group a few complementary comparisons to King Crimson. Lead singer J. Lynn Johnston crafts poetic lyrics inherently more meaningful than ones spewed from the mouths of his whinier contemporaries. On "This Collision" he tracks a relationship on a terrific crash course for destruction: "As the spectacle unfolds/ On tiptoes, glass, and fragments/ This collision's reality/ Is made to match mine". Each track on the album is itself a minor explosion, with heavy bass and muffled drums, wreaking pleasurable havoc on the ears. MAD AT GRAVITY may never be as revered as the gods of progressive rock and roll, but if this debut disc is any indication, they at least deserve some props for producing a sound more durable and pleasing than any fluff bands like Staind could ever construct.

-Jaime Gadette

The Means

Vil/Viol

Double Plus Good Screaming bloody murder rock and roll! Former Spivey's front man, Jason Fredrick, comes back howling with his new band The Means. I wonder how many packages of throat lozenges Mr. Fredrick had to suck on while recording this album? This guy is crazy! Don't let me neglect to mention the band with their raw and punchy guitars, and relentlessly driving drumbeats. The Means are for real! Check them out, and see for vourself.

-Aaron

Mull Historical Society

Loss

Beggars/XL Recordings Whoda thunk that the cool musical geography to hail from would be Scotland? Oh sure, there were the Bay City Rollers and Belle and Sebastian, but those groups surely appealed to for their own reasons cultish fans. But with the return of Teenage Fan Club and now MHS, it's hot to be Scot. This set is even more poppy than TFC's latest, and to boot, it's a concept album about the real and fictional region of the country. Frontman Colin MacIntyre even went so far as to change the mission statement from British Telephone, where he worked, to read MHS every time BT was mentioned. "Watching Xanadu" could have been phoned in from the sixties, and "Strangeways Inside" is a nod to both Morrissey and the perceived state of British mental health. "The Mull Historical Society is here for you and me/come and Join us now," McIntyre beckons, and the invitation is darn near irresistible.

-Stakerized!

Munk

Anime Sweetheart

Waxboy Records Munk, formerly of super-G, recorded and performed 99% of this sticky twister for junky funk-punks at his home in Boston. Whether you like sick cosmic trancescapes dappled with psycho-delic bombast and club-ready breakbeats, dope-ass tweeker lounge vibes slathered in esoteric ramblings that make you think you're trippin' even when you aint or sparse ethereal techno-industrial lullables rolled up with noisy samples and studio manipulations, it's all here. This is for tough boys who like to wear girls' underwear. Even though this thang came out last September it's not too late to wake up and sniff the vinyl.

-Shame Shady

The Naysayer

Heaven, Hell, or Houston

Carrot Top Records Relative newcomer to music Anna Padgett, on her second release as the Naysayer, has created another record of alt-country-influenced music that's not country. Cynthia Nelson of Retsin provides "undrummer drumming," while Tara Jane O'Neil also of Retsin provides guitar and bass that almost seem like they aren't there as well, it's so much all about the songs. This is about driving down the road and "don't bother to read the signs because I already know what they say." Trying to get down a road that "the sun hasn't shone on that idea for some time," yet still the yearning is there. The flute on "Break Up" conveys the intensity at work here that is subtle enough that you might just miss it. The vocal harmonies and cello together on "Things to Do" create a chord that is positively aching. And the steel guitar on "Envy and Regret" does more than hint at the fact that the album was recorded in Louisville, KY.

-Stukerized!

No. 2

What Does Good Luck Bring? In Music We Trust

fledgling beginnings, Steininger has managed to turn Portland's in Music We Trust into a real up-and-coming label, with recent releases by the Pinehurst Kids' frontman Joe Davis and former Pavement sideman in the Maroons. The latest IMWT gem is No. 2, fronted by Neil Gust, formerly in Heatmiser with Elliott Smith before the latter's solo career. This second release returns Quasi's Sam Coomes to guest, The disc starts out strong with "A Little Confusion" and "More, More," both of which dig out a Sebadoh-like groove, and Gust's vocals even sound like Lou Barlow in places. But in place of Barlow's occasional self-pitying lyrics is a more resigned, take-it-in-stride attitude, perhaps best epitomized in "Traveling," with its road rock rhythm. Sometimes when asking what good luck is good for, you don't have to go so far as to look a gift horse in the mouth, but just having a set of tunes this good is good enough. Inmusicwetrust.com.

-Stakerized!

Nurse With Wound The Man With the Woman Face

United Dairies 2 Men: Steven Stapleton and Colin-Potter. 3 Songs: "Beware the African Mosquito" is like vintage John Cage splicin' it up into a slow motion Spike Jones whimsicality. "Ag canadh thuas sa speir" has some Coil-like synth loops fading into a wall of frog chorus loops, burping up some kraut beats while briefly revisiting "Sylvie & Babs, Spiral Insania & every other great Nurse record in abrupt, stuttering little blasts (Gaelic loosely translates to "Up in the Sky Singing"). White Light from the Stars in Your Mind floats it off in a light hearted, eerie, crumbling, comical space fizz dusting into severely spaced Bavarian pagan pounding. Babs Santini has a peachy multi-media collage on the digi-pack. -Davey Parish

Original Sinners S/T

Nitro Records Further X-orcisms of Original Sinners' vocalist Exene Cervenka's roots punk past. Kim Chi, Sam Soto, Jason Edge, and Mat Young handle the summoning of Doe/Zoom/Bronebake/Alvin past; dipping it into the present day tattooed Sunset Strip. Almost a lost great X album, albeit there is really only one true John Doe-type-of-duet, the paim tree lined, honky-tonk raver, "Whiskey for Supper". There are other vocal harmonies with male & female warbling from Chi & Edge. Cervenka pens solid Nashville by way of Disneyland countryboozed soaked punkers, such as the jilted-half-gets-the-last-laugh burner "Who's Laughin' Now" and the fed-upwith-your-white-trash-antics of "Bringin" Down", somber little scorcher. Moonshine and manic panic sold separately.

-Davey Parish

Pere Ubu

ST Arkansas

Cooking Vinyl/Spinart

Cleveland's Cuyahoga River has the dis-

tinction of being the only river to catch fire, occurring a few times mid century 1900s. The mistake by the lake, home of the phrase "rock and roll", also helped birth some of punk's fiery stars of the mid 1970's. Pere Ubu started up in this time of creative upheaval, clamoring away at the invisible boundaries of the anti-establishment. While punk was still catching on most places. Pere Ubu were deconstructing it and adding synthesized nuances of free jazz and edgy soul. Numerous line up changes featuring endless talent survived them into their 4th decade, still fronted by David Thomas's murmuring howls. If you're old enough to rernember, you may be wise enough to appreciate these maturing pre punk minstrels.

-Davey Parish

Plug Spark Sanjay Fuse Time For The Working Force

Childlike Records Plug Spark Sanjay has toured through our quiet town four times. Each time they stopped off at Kilby they brought the usually dormant indie kids to their feet, with bobbing heads and stomping feet. Vocally I was instantly reminded of the late Archers of Loaf's, Eric Bachman's grainy, slurred, rasps. Physically they have the drive and energy of At the Drive in blended with the building force that is ... And You Will Know Us By The Trail of Dead, and you have the perfect martini already stirred by Bob Weston (Archers of Loaf, Six Finger Satellite) who recorded and mixed Fuse Time. If you appreciate any of the mentioned bands, pick up this disc and start the foot stompin'. -Josh Scheuerman

Pure Rubbish

S/T EP

Priority Records This disc is four songs of rock n' roll bliss and nostalgic trash that hearkens back to early 70's punk rock. Influenced by just about anything that is and/or was cool in punk, metal, and rock, these very young guys bang out nuggets of sleaze that just drip from the speakers. With a full length release entitled "Glamorous Youth", Pure Rubbish want those who worship the likes of The Black Halos, Gluecifier, and Backyard Babies, to know that they are the real deal.

-Kevlar7

Randy

Cheater

G7 Welcoming Committee According to Randy, we're talking a whole hell of a lot and not really saying a damn thing. We have at our fingertips some of the most brilliant mediums of communication imaginable, yet choose to use them for an endless relay of useless information. This record offers criticism of pop music, the internet, labor commitment, and just about every other traditional ideal commonly favored as targets by anarcho-punks such as the boys in Randy. Each standing member takes his turn presenting his leftist rants and raves over hard-edged rock riffs and catchy beats. If Randy is correct in saying that it takes very little to make kids dance these days, there is no telling what sort of chaos will ensue when the easily-pleased masses get their hands on this solid record.

-Intern Nate

Tommy Rivers and the Raw Ramps

S/T

December/BMT Records This guy sounds so much like Paul Westerburg it's not even funny. In fact, this is so watered down and bland that I couldn't even get through the whole thing before I ripped it out of my CD player and let it fly over to the waiting teeth and claws of Lenny Rex my cat. After watching him devour the offending piece of crap, I then placed The Replacements two masterpieces, "Tim" and "Pleased to Meet Me" into the disc player and kicked back with a beer. Amazed at the brilliance of the music that assaulted my senses, the torture of Tommy Rivers quickly faded from my memory.

-Kevlar7

Ruts DC vs. Mad Professor vs. Zion Train

"Rhythm Collision vol. 1 & Remix Versions"

Select Cuts (EU) The old ROIR cassette edition of this recording session between Ruts DC and The Mad Professor has floated around the home for some time. A great document of the heady punky reggae party of late 70's/early 80's UK, where a lot of the good punk bands and exiled Jamaican legends co-existed. The infatuated Brits soon started melding the two- everyone from the Clash to the Stits to the Subhumans. Ruts DC actually comes off sounding like a reggae/dub band, just every now and then there are some interesting little post punk half steps. The icing is the Mad Professor's almost Sun Ra meets Kraftwerk touch. - Davey Parish

Satanic Surfers

Unconsciously Confined

Bad Taste Records Satanic Surfers are bubble-gum punk. And like bubble-gum, this type of music is cheap, plentiful, and short-lived. Wishfully, I waited for anything in their music to corrode my mind with evil and Satanic thoughts, but was once again let down. The only remotely interesting aspect of their music is the anti-government lyrics on tracks one and seven. I hope the Satanic Surfers will one day see the light, go metal, and write a song entitled, "The Tide Was High in Hell Today". Until then, if you're 15 and simply looking for some tunes to play while working on your flips and grinds, by all means, be my guest.

-Joev

The Sign Offs SIT

Disaster Records Having had the fortune of seen these guys' blistering live show, I begged the guys in this band for a copy of their disc. And man, am I glad I groveled at their feet because it blazes with such kick ass fury. Expertly courting the fine line between rock n' roll and power punk, The Sign Offs punch the pedal to the metal right from the very first track and don't let the engine idle for a second. Not for the weak of heart, these guys are out to scare and offend, so approach with caution. But for the almighty rock

gods; they are appeased and so will anyone who likes down and dirty Stooges inspired music.

Sixer

Beautiful Trash

BYO Records

Sixer wants to be a rock band, and for most of the disc the band succeeds. But, then the band decides to dip into a silly pop-punk that just sounds overly cliched and pretentious. When the band decides to quit writing songs for the sixteenyear-olds, they fucking kick some. They have a lot of attitude and aggression in these songs, but they should concentrate on just rockin' out. Still, its a worthy debut, and it might get better after repeated listens, but the first time didn't really hit me hard in the gut, if y'all know what I mean.

-Kevlar7

Skeleton Key Obtanium

Ipecac Records Fans of Skeleton Key will be foaming at the mouth at the prospect of the band finally releasing a follow-up to their stunning full length debut "Fantastic Spikes Through Balloon" on Mike Patton's label. For those who don't know, Skeleton Key plays haunting songs that are dark and menacing, kind of like southern fried Deliverance movie music that has an eerie feel to it. But what makes this band so unique and placed outside the norm of today's' contemporary music is that the band uses antique instruments and random objects like chairs, pots, pans, and old wagons. This disc is not as creative as their debut, but it works. It just seems that it's a little toned down on this one as it was on their previous work, but its still worth checking out this truly jaw dropping band.

-Kevlar7

Sonic Youth Murray Street

Geffen

From "Teenage Riot" to "Radical Adults Licking Godhead Style", we grew up with the band many either dismiss or adore, and managed to be copied and adopted by people who may not know it. Sonic Youth are one of the more important of the later bands because they helped free us, gave us new tunings, screwdrivers jammed under strings and duct-taped to the neck of their Fender Jaguars. They are still giving it. Lee Renaldo's sonic atmospheres, Thurston Moore's psychesculptures, Kim Gordon's savage fever, and Steve Shelley's motorik metronome are now fully joined by Jim O'Rourke's aural manipulative abilities: He also frees Kim to play more guitar. Now there are more sounds to dissect in "Karen Revisited", and the summery closer "Sympathy for the Strawberry".

-Davey Parish

Spoon

A Series Of Sneaks

Merge

This re-release has the same artwork, but with two additional tracks recorded at Saddle Creek (out of print). "Laffitte Don't Fail Me Now" and The Agony Of Laffitte" was written about their misadventures with Elektra records. "Laffitte is the PR man for Elektra who signed Spoon and Sylvia is the head queen over at Elektra. Each song describes the corruption and back stabbing in the record industry and makes a great ending to this already treasured record. Although this story has a happy, independent ending with the fairy godmother of Merge Records who bought Series of Sneaks and the single from Saddle Creek. Look for an album with new material this fall.

-Josh Scheuerman .

Sunday's Best

The Californian

Polyvinyl Records The press kit for this record included a rather lengthy introduction about the band's sad recent history: the departure of a founding member, difficult rehab episodes, and tragic divorce. Was this supposed to con me into giving them a good review out of pity? I'm not really sure if their tactic worked or not. At first listen, I found this record to be quite a snoozer. The vocals are high and soft, the lyrics are emo, and the guitars are very simple. However, just like anything upon second listen, I found something I liked: the end of track 10.

-Carly Fullmer

Superdrag

Last Call For Vitriol

Arena Rock Recording Co. Superdrag's last album, 2000's in the Valley of Dying Stars, was damn near the perfect pop rock album, without undue emphasis on either the pop or rock half of the formula, tons of sugary hooks and clever lyrics, with crunching guitars and drumming that was nothing less than athletic. How do you follow up something like that? Well, on "Baby Goes to Eleven," a great song with a great title, you call in GBV's Robert Pollard to do backup vocals. He's lower in the mix than he is on J. Mascis' last album, so it's to lesser effect. Also, bassist Sam Powers takes on some of the songwriting duties as well. It doesn't seem to add much to the mix, but if anything, dilutes a perfect pop formula. Not that this is a bad record, it just suffers by comparison with the last one. Maybe what was called for wasn't vitriol to add contrast to sugary rockers but more of the same, if it ain't broke don't fix it. In the meantime, it still does go to eleven. -Stakerized!

The Temps

Soon We'll Be Gone

Wild Warthaug Records The band has a decidedly cool name. The big question is whether or not the music follows suit. The guitars are hooky and imaginative and the unrefined, raw quality of the production fits the songs well. The vocals are another matter. The lead singer and main songwriter, Jack Locker from Chicago, undergoes a transformation to U.K. reject Nigel Mick Morrison when assuming lead vocal duties. If you can tolerate the vocals shifting from Bob Dylan at his drunkest to a strained Billy Corgan, with some badly attempted Mick Jagger thrown in, then the major drawback of this disc is academic. If you can't, then you have the same problem I did, which is distraction from what could be a fantastic album. The band is not afraid to tinker -- saxophones, plano, bagpipes and gor-geous guest female vocals can all be

found on the album, sometimes to glorious effect. Locker should dump the pseudo-Brit shit. The rather pretentious and unnecessary accent on the vocals fuck up an otherwise fine and adventurous disc and takes away from the very strong songs on the album. -Evocator

Thrice

The Illusion of Safety

Sub City Longtime, grass roots fans will tell you that Identity Crisis is the better album, but I will disagree. The Illusion of Safety (a title created before 9/11 and taken from Fight Club) is a far more melodic and accessible album musically, while still capturing the intensity and fully mind-blowing lyrics of the first album. When I sat down with the liner notes and actually listened to this album, I was repeatedly amazed. The first time I saw Thrice, they were one of four bands on one of the oddest, most unlikely bills I've ever witnessed: Rx Bandits, Thrice, H20, and New Found Glory. Looking back on this show, I see now that Thrice was right at home in that melting pot of rock n' roll. They have the technical musicianship of the Rx Bandits, the hardcore roots of H20, and the dark, moralityquestioning, brain-straining lyrics of New Found Glory. (I was kidding about New Found Glory, come on.)

Carly Fullmer

Various Artists

Warped Tour 2002 Compilation

Side One Dummy

The thing I liked so much about last years Warped Tour comp. from Side One Dummy was the fact that every track on the CD was unreleased, rare, or live. I was expecting the same good graces this year, but was a little disappointed to see a list of album hits rather than mouthwatering new music. However, the good points of this comp outweigh the bad one. A: it's a 2-disc set. 2: it's always cheap at record stores (and only \$5 if you bought it at Warped). And D: It features 50 songs from 50 bands on Warped Tour, including main stagers like NOFX and Alkaline Trio, 2nd stagers such as The Casualties and Tsunami Bomb, Drive Thru friends like Finch and The Movielife, and even the little guys with really bad band names like Destruction Made Simple and Throw Rag. 50 songs for \$57. That's like 10 cents a song. Of course you're going to buy this.
-Carly Fullmer

Various Artists

Punk Rock is Your Friend

Kung Fu Records So, apparently I made a new friend. His name is Punk Rock. Mr. Rock was so nice as to give me two tracks (one being an unreleased track) from lots of Kung Fu bands including: Audio Karate, Ozma, the newly-signed Tsunami Bomb, The Vandals, Antifreeze, Useless I.D., Mi6, No Use For a Name, and the newlydropped Ataris. Usually, I'm against any compilation with the word "punk" in the title, but this one's worth a listen solely because Mr. Rock finally gave me some new Tsunami Bomb material. It's about bloody time. The Vandals are hilarious as usual, Ozma sounds like Weezer as usual, Audio Karate is excellent as usual, and The Ataris' live track substitutes

"your mom" for every proper noun, as usual. Now everyone say thank you to Punk Rock for being my new friend. I'm sure he could be your friend too, he lives at your local record store, just go ask him.

-Carly Fullmer

Xiu Xiu

Knife Play

5 Rue Christine Records Every month there is at least one band that just totally blows me away at how creative and ingenious they are. This month Xiu Xiu takes the grand prize and makes absolute use of the tag "experimental". Layered samples and traditionat instruments like fiddles, trumpets, planos, etc. these guys create lush atmospheric music that would make a composer of a symphony proud. Using simple electronica beats, or traditional drumming, the group lays down a sublime artful soundscape over which the lead vocalist sings in his jush voice that sounds like a mix between Talk Talk and Erasure throat men at times and lan Curtis of Joy Division at others. Distributed by Touch and Go, it should be easily available. I recommend that any one who likes creative and beautiful music to go pick it up now.

Zoot Horn Rollo

We Saw a Bozo Under the

-Kevlar7

Sea

Zoothornrollo.com

Bill Harkleroad, aka Zoot Horn Rollo, was guitarist in the Magic Band during Captain Beefheart's epochal recordings Trout Mask Replica, Safe as Milk and others. Only an insanely skilled musician could follow the twists and turns of Don Van Vliet's charts with multiple melodies, rhythms and time signatures, not to speak of coping with the Captain's demanding demeanor. To match minds with such a mad musical genius, Zoot must have had some fascinating tinkering going on in his head, it only stands to reason. Approaching Bozo, expectations are understandably high, with the Beefheartian title and prospect of the closest thing to new Beefheart since Van Vliet gave up music for the paintbrush two decades ago. Bozo has whimsical titles and angular playing from Harkleroad and a stellar combo, but something is missing. This CD somehow comes off like a guitar player's guitar album, best suited to hitting pause and learning riffs from. There's some accomplished, even brilliant playing here, but the album ends up being a set of-gaspjazz fusion. And all the horrors that implies. You can't fault him for the absence of CB's gruffly faltering poetic voice on the album, but why no vocals at all? "Dancin' With the Doorknob," "Church of the Mowed Lawn", and "Still Living With Mom" are titles that cry out for great lyrics.

-Stakerized!

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Friday, July 5 Debonairs- Beatniks Dave Hahn- Dynamite Doms, Park City Rocking Horse Winners, Waxwings, Mayflies, Sparta- Kilby Richmond Fontaine-Zephyr Saturday, July 6 Weezer Afterparty-XScape Blues Frequency-Beatniks Cockeyed Oval- Burt's Mary Beth Maziarz- Dynamite Doms, Park City Weezer, Dashboard Confessional- E Ctr The Cause, American Tragedy, Lifeoverlaw, Blind the Fold- Foundation, Provo Twinge, K1-2B, Sig-9 - Junction Casket Lottery, Form of Rocket- Kilby Dr. Didj- Lazy Moon Kevyn Dem- Miner's Plaza, Park City Desmo- Muse Music, Provo Flesh Peddler- Todds Quadraphonic- Urban Lounge Gamma Rays- Zephyr Sunday, July 7 Ghostface Killah, Raekwon- Bricks Highball Train-Burt's Phantom Limbs- Foundation, Provo Dave Hahn- Miner's Plaza, Park City Indigo Girls, K's Choice- Red Butte Garden Audioflo- Urban Lounge Soul Posse- Zephyr Monday, July 8 DK Curtis Strange- Burt's WC Clark-Dead Goat Rilo Kiley- Kilby All, Armstrong, Someday I, Wretch Like Me- XScape The Kingdom- Zephyr Tuesday, July 9 WC Clark- Beatniks Fusty Luggs-Burt's Spooky Daly Pride- Dynamite Doms, Park City Unit Breed, Narrows- Kilby Carlo- Todds Karmakanics- Urban Lounge John Brown's Body- Zephyr Wednesday, July 10 My Slave Pedro-Burt's Gigi Love, Kate McLeod- Gallivan Ctr Rigid- Getty's The Crowd, Butthawks, Dregs- Junction Radio 4, the Kills- Kilby Ready, Steady Go!- Urban Lounge Mofro, Spookie Daly Pride- Zephyr Thursday, July 11 Nuclear Free Great Basin Film Fest-Brewvies Revelators-Burt's

Mosaic- The Element

Richmond Fontaine- Hog Wallow

Travoltas, Sewing With Nancie, Bottom

Line, Downpat- Junction Black Water- Muse Music, Provo Bruce Hornsby- Red Butte Gardens Mahotella Queens- Twilight Concert Redd Tape, Blue Hour- Urban Lounge Brian Auger- Zephyr Friday, July 12 Zach Parrish CD release- Beatniks Strike Anywhere, Good Riddance-Bricks G Brown 4tet- Dynamite Doms, Park Sunhouse Healers- Hog Wallow Legends of Rodeo, the Kick, Mercy Mile- Kilby Imperative Reaction CD release-Sanctuary Nitty Gritty Dirt Band-Sandy Ampitheater SLUG Localized: Blue Collar Line, Hello Amsterdam, Very Metal - Urban Robert Walter's 20th Congress- Zephyr Saturday, July 13 Bootie Quake Dave- The Canyons, Park Cty LoFi Breakdown-Dynamite Doms, Park Gallivan Blues Fest- Gallivan Ctr 3 Day Stay- Garage Band Central They Might Be Giants- Harry O's Trevor Price Band- Hog Wallow Nine Spine Stickleback- Junction Nitty Gritty Dirt Band- Kenley Ampitheater, Layton The Prom, Dishes- Kilby Carlos Washington & Giant People-Lazy Rich Wyman- Miner's Plaza, Park City Force of Friction- Todds UGGLIES Benefit for JEDI Women-Wolfs CD Release, Dirty Birds- Urban Lounge Disco Drippers- Zephyr Sunday, July 14 Highball Train-Burt's Lionhead Records- Kilby Shane Jackman- Miner's Plaza, Park Jerry Jeff Walker- Red Butte Gardens FAB- Zephyr Monday, July 15 DJ Curtis Strange- Burt's Mem Shannon-Dead Goat Tuesday, July 16 Mem Shannon- Beatniks Rigid-Burt's Blues On First- Dynamite Doms, Park Dr Neptune, Chesterfield- Kilby GTC, Counteract- New Junction Richi Whites- Todds Tanglewood- Urban Lounge Umphrey's McGee- Zephyi

Wednesday, July 17 Painting Daisies- Brewskis Evil Beaver- Burts Flour City Knuckleheads- Foundation, Provo BD Howes, Purdymouth- Gallivan Ctr Fire Show, Day Two- Kilby Midnight Oil- McKay Ctr Super So Far- Zephyr Thursday, July 18 Bulimics-Burt's Claudia Villela, Ricardo Peixoto- Civic Bernie Worrell, Global Funk Council-Harry O's Contingency Plan, Larger Than Life, Sloppy Meateaters- Junction Painting Daisies- Paper Moon Green Party Transit Forum- Sprague Sexy Food- Urban Lounge Electrovibe, the Kingdom-Zephyr Friday, July 19 2 & Half White Guys- ABG;s NYPD's Daniel Rodriguez- Abravanel Undercath, Underwater, Underearth, Zao-Brick's Washington Generals-Burt's Kelley Richey Band- Dead Goat Mark Cheney Trio- Dynamite Doms, Park City Truth Be Told, To See You Broken, Parallax- Foundation, Provo Flesh Peddler- Grants, Sp Fork The Given- Hog Wallow Tokyo Marine Fire, Smashy Smashy, Carlo- Kilby Symbiant CD release- Sanctuary Protocol, Alchemy- Urban Lounge Tiger Army- XScape Steve Forbert,- Zephyr Saturday, July 20 Tanglewood- Beatniks Rising Lion- The Canyons, Park Cty SLUG Summer of Death Sk8bored Comp-Connexion Gamma Rays- Dynamite Doms, Park Tool, Tomahawk- E Ctr Danzig, Prong- Harry O's Suek- Hog Wallow Melissa Warner- Miner's Plaza, Park Marmalade Hill- Port O Call Llama Fest- Krishna Temple, Sp Fork Track Star, Silent Film Stars- Todds Red Bennies, Erosion- Urban Lounge Audio Learning Ctr, Hey Mercedes, Koufax, Piebald- XScape Rigid- Yabuts The Given- Zephyr Sunday, July 21

Tanglewood- Beatniks

Highball Train- Burt's Pettit Project, Over It- Kilby Trace Wiren- Miner's Plaza, Park City Get Stakerized!, Violet Run, Evolver-DJ Spooky, Baldwin Brothers, Ming & FS, Dalek- Zephyr Monday, July 22 Over It, My Captain, ECO, Going Nowhere Fast- Beyond the Gateway DJ Curtis Strange-Burt's Big Jack Johnson & Oilers- Dead Goat Xiu Xiu, Crosstide, Divit, Day of Less-Tuesday, July 23 Big Jack Johnson & Oilers- Beatniks Plan B- Burt's Dreadnought- Dead Goat Schfvilkus- Dynamite Doms, Park City Tracy Bird- Fairpark Schvilkus, DJ Viper-Harry O's American Analog Set, Her Space Holiday, Peppermints- Kilby Femi Kuti- Red Butte Gardens Alpha Brown, Jenna- Todds Starmy, Tolchock Trio- Urban Lounge Fat Tuesday- Zephyr Wednesday, July 24 Pinkeye- Burt's Slightly Stoopid-Liquid Joe's Kate McLeod, Burt Hunter- Miner's Plaza, Park City Ready, Steady, Go!- Urban Lounge Thursday, July 25 My Slave Pedro- Burt's Scorpions, Deep Purple, Dio- E Ctr John Mayall & Bluesbreakers- Gallivan Dreadnought- Harry O's The Basement, Women's Benefit- Kilby Violet Run, Phono, Harpy- Urban Lounge Our Lady Peace, Audiovent, Greenwheel- XScape McCloskey Bros Band- Zephyr Friday, July 26 Big Jack Johnson & Oilers- Beatniks Rich Dixon 4tet- Dynamite Doms, Park Critical Mass Bike Ride-5 pm@Gallivan Ctr Gogogo Airheart, SLUG Women in Rock showcase- Kilby Slaves, Superhero, No Regret, TCP- New New Transit Direction, live DJ- Todds White City Rockers, Optimist Prime-Urban Lounge Saturday, July 27 Shana Morrison Band- The Canyons, Park Cty

Todd Mather, Red Clay- Dynamite

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Violet Run- Club Manhattan

Town & Country, Ether Orchestra- Kilby Megan Peters- Miner's Plaza, Park City

This Engine Burns- Todds

Monday, July 29

DJ Curtis Strange-Burt's Magic Slim & Teardrops-Dead Goat Sergio Mendes, Brazil 2002- Kenley

Ampitheater, Layton
Don McLean- Scera Shell, Orem

Nucleus- Zephyr

Tuesday, July 30 Lil Dave Thompson- Beatniks

Ridin the Faultline- Dynamite Doms,
Park City

I Am the World Trade Center- Kilby Punk Tuesday- Todds

Aterry Teenage Riot- Urban Lounge Vinyl- Zephyr

Wednesday, July 31

Smackwater Jack, Patrice Pike- Gallivan Ctr

FT (formerly Fervid Torpor)- Getty's

Arab On Radar, Blood Brothers, the Locust-Kilby

Face First, Green Peanuts, Special Edward-New Junction

Truth Be Told, Blind the Fold, As the World Waits- Suite 13

Quadraphonic- Urban Lounge

Morrissey- Zephyr

Thursday, August 1

Butch Hancock, Jimmie Dale Gilmore, Joe Ely, Flatlanders- Gallivan Ctr

Morrissey- State Fairpark Patrice Pike- Zephyr

Friday, August 2

Blues Benders- Dynamite Doms, Park City

Ben Kweller, My Morning Jacket, Pony League- Kilby

Jackyl, Skid Row, Vince Neil- McKay
Ctr, Orem

In Stereo- Tooele Cty Fair

Saturday, August 3

Animal Liberation Orchestra- Beatniks Elvin Bishop- The Canyons, Park Cty Purdymouth- Dynamite Doms, Park City 31 Knots- Kilby

Kitaro- Kingsbury Hall Park City Arts Fest

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